to morrow; so I am getting along nicely.
Father says if you did not get your glasses in Boston or Cape Ann, you could get them and good ones in Kingston. I was sorry Father could not have been with you and got them in Boston, but we must excuse him he is so full of business.
Father keeps hearing words of praise of you from the people up in town especially since you have gone away. Father has not seen you often enough to know what a good smart boy he has, but he is finding it out gradually. He went to Boston this noon from thence to Providence to see about the dried Bananas. and then to New York and expects to be at home Friday Evening. Grandpa Baker is still on the mending hand I think. Father & Dottie were to the Island Sunday and Grandpa at dinner with them. Aunt Mary was there also and David. He had his coronet with him but he did not play on it. Dottie said they expected both to go to Boston this noon. David did not stay down long, as he only came down last Friday Evening. Grandpa's folks did not think anything of it I guess by you did not come over just before you went away. It was so very cold and you had not much time. I will send them word how it was when I can. Father wanted me to go very much last Sunday but I told him I could not on account of sore fingers. The folks in Wellfleet are very anxious about the Schr "Charles Lawrence" loaded with coal from Baltimore. They have most given her up. Grandmother Baker's grand daughters husband was one of the crew. By name was Rufus George Willis Gatten. Our Hamilet & wife came to see me the other day and bid me good bye heavy we were going soon. Father came home last night with quite a strong idea of carrying Dot with us but has not fully decided yet. The little children are all well and send you a letter on Tues. Hoping that you will be kept from all evil and this will find you well and cheerfull and that we shall soon meet all together in Port Antonio. I remain your loving Mother

N. M. Baker

Remember me to Mr. Buckle & Richard & comm Eugene & Ernest. Good bye for this time. Write to Elisha & let me know if you receive this letter. Good bye.

1882

Wellfleet Jan 31st
Tuesday Eve
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My Dear Son Loren.

As the steamer sails next Friday, you will receive our letters if written to night so I will improve the opportunity of writing to you, so you will receive them about the time you arrive in Jamaica.
We were glad to hear from you from Boston that you got along all right.
It is blowing quite a gale to night, which is the third bad storm or gale we have had since you left Boston, so we can not help being anxious about you, but all we can do and the best we can do is to commit you to the One, who is strong and mighty to save, and holdeth the winds and waves as in the hollow of His Hand. What a blessed providge

is prayer. May you ever find it so in the hour of trial, temptation, and anxiety. Last Sunday Evening it was quite a gale and when Father came home from the evening meeting, he said he knew for the first time his father's anxiety for him when on the ocean in a storm, as it was the first time his own son had been, and he on the land, but if he was there himself he would probably think nothing of it.

I wish you would write if only a few words soon as you arrive to Port-Antonio. Father thinks to day that we had better sail for Jamaica the 10th of Feb as he has got the business cars mostly off his mind, but do not look for us too much as possibly he may put it off until the next steamer.

I have been most laid up since you went away with a runround on my finger and a burn on the same and next finger which I received by taking up a piece of live coal with my apron, which had fallen out of the Gas Burner by sifting the ashes with a poker on to my canvass so rather than to have my canvass burned I burned my fingers, but did not know I was going to burn them so much. The piece of coal was so large it burned right through my apron before I could get it in the stove, but my fingers are most well now so in a day or two I shall be able to use them as usual.

Father has been buying me a new Sewing Machine to take with me. Mr Everett Lane has brought his here on trial named the "Home", and Whitman Holbrook brought one of his he is agent for named the "Hartford" and Mr Allen Higgins will bring his one or two named the "Domestic" and the other "The New Home", soon as I send him word that I want to see them. I am going to give each a fair trial and select the best.

Kate is coming to help me a week or so

3. 2.

Thursday noon

My Dear Son Loren

Elisha has just sent me word the Aden is going to Boat Harbour so I hurriedly send these few lines, and the box of things.
I have sent you some of the Seville Orange jell preserve which I made of the Oranges you sent. a box of figs, some dates, and a few cookies, also the tea I sent for you but it came to the house with my things.
Please give the cook and Nurse a couple of the cookies each and 3 mangoes apiece.
I have sent the cook the new dress I promised her so long and the 2 sheets and pillow slips for Nurse to make for me. I have sent a knife to fry cakes with.
Have sent Mr Thistlefs underclothes.
We are all well. I am very glad you have arrived from Kingston all right. And have the harness and the oleo tooth out.

Hoping this will find you in the best of health and with much love

I am your Affectionate Mother.

Kind regards to all.

P.S. Excuse haste.

3.3

Mr Leon D Baker
Port Morant
Jamaica.

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3. 4.1

Port Antonio (Sunday Afternoon)

My Dear Son Loren

As tomorrow is Post Day and we also expect to move into the new house. I thought I would improve this privildge of writing to you.

How I wish I could look in upon you to day. We miss you very much it seemed as though you must be in the house to day and that I must put the beans back into the oven to keep warm for you this morning, but no. I had to put them back into the safe. for there was to be no welcome face of Loren to come bye & bye for them. but as we cannot be together at present we must write often and you must make yourself as comfortable as possible in your new place of abode. Father says the Baron will leave here Tuesday night for Port Maria and I will then send you a box containing your clothes which have been sent home from

Loren

Mr A. Clarke
Bath St
Kingston

the wash and also Mr Baker's clothes. If there is anything I can do for you send me word and it will be a pleasure to do for you.

Bro Welch and little daughter arrived in Kingston yesterday and expects to be here next week, but we shall be all moved in good order before he arrives. I think We find Stephen a very good person and improving. You cannot tell how glad I am that you thought of him to stop with us. I hope you will get as good a Butler. He tells Mattie he is going to ask me if he cannot always work for us both at the new house and at the Bog.

Father thinks that Eugene had better stay with us until Elisha comes. Their house is not all shingled yet but we shall have to borrow a bedstead unless he or Dallie sleeps on the Lounge, but perhaps Bro Welch will accomodate him here for a little while at the mission house and I will take care of his little girl until he gets a new governess if he wishes me to. but I want Father to plan as he thinks best. We will let him do the planning and we the executing and hope for the best. Father & Eugene were talking last evening about it being a bother to the people having you to bear your father's name. I would sign my name hereafter Loren D. Baker instead of L D Baker. Perhaps if you put on Jr they overlook it. Father was afraid we were to have a hurricane yesterday but the storm did not amount to anything. How is Mr Baker's health and how does he like living in East Kingston? I hope this will find you in good health. How did Mr Rhone the sick man endure the passage to Kingston? I shall be so busy tomorrow, I shall not have time to write a word as every moment will be occupied in doing myself or telling others how and what to do but after we are all moved and settled I will write and tell you all the news. Remember me kindly to Mr Baker and accept much love to yourself. With best wishes I remain Your loving Mother

M. M. B.

3-5.

Tuesday Eve Oct 83

Dear Loren

I have sent you our old dishes with a few more I bought to match them as near as I could; I hope they will not get broken before they reach you. As I made some fresh bread to day I thought maybe you would like a loaf of "Mother's bread" and it would be a good chance to send it to night by the "Aden". I shall be glad when the October rains are over. A Squall has just come up and it rains and blows quite heavy. Be sure and be careful about being out in a boat this weather. The squalls come so sudden.

Bro Welch has just called in to see us. Martie will have a nice little playmate in his little girl. We are all well as usual only the Neuralgia troubles me some this damp weather, but by bathing my shoulder in spirits of camphor it gives me quite a relief try it if you should be troubled with it.

It is about time for Eugene to start for the steamer so I will close by saying Good Night.

From Mother. { May God's blessing ever attend you

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Mr A. Allen
Care of
Wm Allen Esq

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to hear from Mrs. Rhone respecting the nightshirts, but have heard nothing from her yet, but it cannot be much longer after all I said to her about getting them done as soon as possible.

You will be glad to know that Dottie found your bunch of keys you lost down to the Office. I must send them to you Monday when I send the boy.

I have sent Stephen to day to buy a couple of tins of the best butter he could find. I told Eugene if he was busy I would get them and send in my boy.

When you are in need of underclothes or whatever you want be sure and let us know and it will be a pleasure to get them for you. Bro Welch & little daughter called to see me the other day and said he was very much pleased with the care I had taken of his house and things. Father sent some men to repair the house yd and he and clean it up and his house & surroundings looked real nice before he got home. He was very much displeased with the governess of his little girl and turned Eliza & Thomas out of the yard as they were relations of hers and he did not want anything to do with either of them again. I felt Eliza felt very bad I so bad she must suffer for her damps. I will write a few more lines Monday before the Arden sails

1882

Port Antonio Oct 3. 6.1

My Dear Loren

It is Saturday night and Rubie Dottie & Mattie are asleep. Father is to the wharf loading the steamer Arden (I believe the name is) so I am here in my new house all alone and I thought I would improve the opportunity of writing to my absent boy. We are quite well settled now. Only Father is to have built a few outhouses in the yard &c. when he can get time. I have just unpacked my crate of dishes to day and stored them in the new closet. Mr House has made home. This is a real pleasant little house but the yard is very filthy where the carpenters were here to long at work and probably threw down all their fruit peelings &c right around the door, but we are having it cleared as soon as possible. The rain has been very plentiful this week, and we have had blowy equally weather.

We are all well as usual but Dottie. He and Mr House took a ride over on the Bog and when they saw it looked like rain they hurried the horses homeward and they ran away with them. Mr House had "Mathe" & Dot Billie. They met a crowd of people by the bridge and a mule with two baskets at her side and Dottie in passing her, hit one of the baskets which partly knocked him off and after he rode a short distance farther he tumbled off as he could not regain his seat. He bruised the back of his head quite bad so he cannot lay on his back to aight and bruised his shoulder but I am very thankful it is nothing serious.

He has just recovered from the danger of having the lock jaw through the bad cut he got on his heel. It was quite an anxious ten days with us but he is all right now. The Doctor attended him three or four days. It has cured him of going barefoot and the accident with the horse to day has learned him a lesson.

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Eugene has recovered from his bruises and has been down to the Leonard in the "Aden" most of this week. He has been sleeping over with Bro Welch and taking his meals with us since we moved, but as soon as Elisha gets here from Hungaton they are to have the little house of Mr Cousins, and Mrs Bastin and some other person she is to get are going to keep house for them. I told Father they could take their meals here but he said no. I had as much as I could do now, and I think it will be better as I consider about it. If I had you with us I would be contented as could be now. Father says you must come and see us soon as the busiest time is over with the steamers. I hope you & Mr Baker are living comfortable up to Port Morgan. Does the housekeeper mend your clothes. If not if you could send them to me in the Aden I would be glad to do them for you. I am expecting every day

3.7.1

Port Antonio Oct 24th 1882

My Dear Son Loren

I have been waiting for the "Aden" to get ready to go to Bowden, so I could send you a letter and as she expects to sail tonight about 11 o'clock, I will improve the opportunity and send the two night-shirts which have just been finished this evening. I would like to have had them washed & ironed first, but thinking you will get them to wear sooner if I send them and you get Mrs Wilson to do them. I will send them just as they are. I would not sleep in them before they are washed as the starch in the cloth bought in Pa makes them so damp. I send you some papers, which we have read, but-

There are two or three more Items or Cape
Cod Bees which Eugene has taken with him
He said he was going to send them to you
after he read them, but, he is to the Rectors
to night with Elisha and I do not believe he
will get them on board of the Eden tonight.
We are all quite well. Father is bright and
cheerful. He thought of coming up to Bowden
to see you tomorrow but tonight he says he cannot
spare the time yet at present.
I am very glad to hear you are getting along
so well. It does us a lots of good.
Have you eaten the cakes yet. Tell me when
you would like some more and the kind.
You have not sent the ticking yet, have you?
I have been looking for it.
You must excuse Mattie & Rubie from writing
this time as they are fast asleep and did not
know I was going to write. Mattie's little work-
box affords her a great deal of pleasure.
She has all her little choice things in it and takes
the best of care of it. I have sent to Mrs Richard-
son to buy you a Portfolio and tell Mr Baker
I heard by Eugene he had searched Kingston through
and could not find any Elastic so I sent
to Mrs B — for enough to make him and
all the family some sleeve elastics. Remember
me kindly to him. We all send you much
love. Hoping you will keep good health
and have all the blessings which can be
for your best Good I remain Your loving
Mother

Port Antonio Nov 4th
1882.

My Dear Son Loren

I received your good letter in due time and was very glad to hear from you that you were still well and getting along nicely, but I know my good boy is putting the best side out. Father is coming to visit you a little while on his way to Kingston to night in the Aden. I wish I could go with him, but cannot. I send you a tin of Ginger Snaps and some papers to read. If the cakes grow soft, I would get Mrs Wilson to set tin and all in the mouth of her brick oven a short time and they will become crisp again. Little Mattie sends you the smallest

as when he gets up in the night he gets kleas on the balloons and brings them back to bed.
I am going to make you two more and cut them myself. have them made

It is getting late and time for me to close. So Good Night. Be a good boy and before long we will all go home to America and make a good visit anyway.
Come to Port Antonio when you can, and tell Mr Baker he must come with you. With best wishes and longings to see you I remain Your loving Mother
M. M. Baker

Write often as convenient.

ones, which she rolled and cut out herself and also the small biscuit with peppermint on the top.
Dollie has been on a fishing excursion with Mr. Bradrick and son Ernest up the Rio Grandy to day but did not get a fish. Had a pretty good time but was awfully tired.
He rode on horseback. He started as I thought to write you a letter to send with mine, but when I came up stairs I found him fast asleep on his bed with his clothes on. It is nearly ten and he is still sleeping. I do not believe he will get a letter written this night by the appearance of things.
We have had company this week they were the passengers perhaps you noticed on board the Eden. Mr. Weech, wife, daughter & son.
They stopped with us two days until the steamer was ready to sail to Iquanqua. At night they went to the lodging house Mr Dacosta's as the little house was not fitted up. They were very nice English people. I was sorry to part with them.
We are all well as usual. only Julius throat troubles him some.
When father goes to America I will send and get a piece of flannel for some more underflannels to be made. Did the nightshirts fit well. As Mrs Rhone had to buy the cloth in Kingston I gave her the pattern Mr Baker cut me and she cut both back and front alike which was unlike the pattern.
The bleached one I cut out myself by Mr Baker's pattern is a very good fit. Father says it has only one fault and that is it is rather long for this climate

Port Antonio Nov 13th
1882.

Dear Son Loren

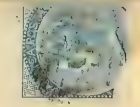
I hasten to write you a few lines.
We arrived home all right Saturday night about 11 o'clock, We stopped aboard the rest of the night and came home early in the morning. The children were a little seasick, but I was well so. but none too much to have a thorough clear out as I had been wanting to have. Dothie I found had been taken sick at night, and last night was quite sick with fever, but I doctored him faithful and he is up to day and most all right again
He had been eating too much candy and

had been going with wet feet.
I found every thing in good order at home, and there were many inquiries about you & Mr Baker.
The Foley is in and Elisha says your chamber set is onboard.
I must close now as to day is Monday and very busy this time. Will write again soon. Hoping this will find you in good health and with best wishes I remain, your loving Mother.

M M Baker.

P.S.

Remember my me kindly to Mr Baker, and no all, also my kind regards to Mrs Wilson and friends.
Rubie cried yesterday to come back to Port Morant.



Loren D. Baker

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Port Antonio Nov 23d
Thursday Eve.

My Dear Son Loren

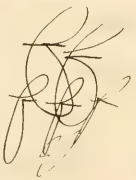
We received your good letter last evening. Was very glad to hear you was well. Father sailed for America in the "S. S. Alpin" this afternoon at 5 o'clock It is a most beautifull evening, but it seems very lonely to think father has gone away so far, but he expects to be back so as to enjoy Christmas with us. There were ~~two~~ divers onboard who were going to Shangea to dive down and look at the bottom of the "Athos so father will have a chance to see her.

We are anticipating our visit up to Bowden and will sail Tuesday evening

We will bring your watch if Elisha has not sent it. Hattie & Rubie are going to bring their swing and hammock and we are all reckoning very much upon coming. Remember me kindly to Mr & Wilson and Mr Baker. ~~Hopking~~. Hoping this will find you in good health I remain

Your loving Mother
Martha M. Baker

P.S.
Dottie sends love to all.
Mattie & Rubie are asleep.
Mother.



Uncle Elisha realy has a lady in Oswego and I expect we will soon have a new Aunt.

I think that is the time the ~~Aaron~~ will sail. Father & I talked it over about you coming down on horseback and we did not think it would be a good plan, because there was danger of you getting sick. He said it was a long tiresome ride and you would be exposed to rain &c. and we can get along well enough. There will be a Stewardess on board this time and, Stephen & Elisha will help us get away, and Stephen will bring up Dottie's Horse and come back on one of the boats. Father said we could do as we was a mind to about Stephen stopping with us. but I think we will need him here to look after the house while we all are away. Father thought I had better get Mrs Wilson to get me a person to stay with me from Port-Hurons and if I liked her could bring her home. He wants me to get quite an old person or one old enough to take the care of Mattie & Rubie and be of help generally. It would be better than a small girl as I need the help now. and then when I go home in Spring to stay until Fall carry her with me. I wonder if Mrs Wilson can find such a person. but she has a small girl on view Mrs I thought of taking; so I can try her a little while and see how we like her. While we are at Bonden Father wished Mr Baker to take the measure of Dat for a suit of clothes and send it to him on the next Steamer and then if you wish to send for anything he said it would be a pleasure to get it for you.

I am going to send a Telegram to you early in the morning so you will be sure to get word before you leave. This letter I suppose will reach you Saturday morning.

3 11.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188 3

Dear Son Loren

I send you this time by [illegible] 6 [illegible] and ask the cook to bake one [illegible] of the of spice over as they were cooked Saturday. I will [illegible] fast of this [illegible] as the [illegible] [illegible] for my letter.

Mother

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... *188*

My Dear Son Loren

George did not go with the horse as he expected this morning as he went down to get the horse and found his leg was swollen so he has concluded to go in the Wellfleet to night.

I think I will send you the three mince pies and loaf of bread and Walter & his little pie. But as soon as you receive them, get Jane to heat them through (pies and bread also) in the Kerosene stove oven. I hope they will reach you safe and that you will like them.

The mince pies and bread were made yesterday. The pies were made of Bananas and lime juice. they would have been better if the bananas had been nice but they were the poor kind but the best I had to use at the time. The J. H. Freeman

has just arrived

With much love

from Mother

Give kind regards to

Mr Storey and Baker House

and all friends.

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Lansing Ecc

My Dear Son Lorin

[illegible]
just handed your [illegible]
land [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible]
will soon [illegible]
We are all well as usual and
trust this will find you in
good health.

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[illegible] and
perhaps they [illegible]
and not a few [illegible]

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have had the [illegible] meal
but we'll make up for that
when we have [illegible]
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[illegible] you
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ly delicious. [illegible]
[illegible] very much for it.
Think Father will want you
to [illegible]
[illegible] Eat [illegible]
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be [illegible] and take good care of
yourself.

Ever your [illegible]

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Mr [illegible]

Mark Morant

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(Bowden Esq.)

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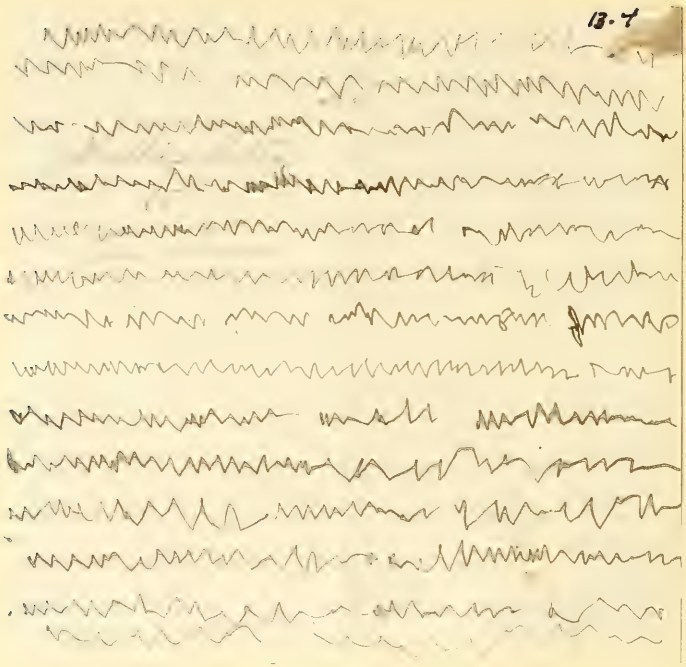
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Port Antonio Friday afternoon

My Dear Son Lorin

Your welcome letter is just received and am very glad to hear you are still well and getting along well at the house.

We are all well at the house as usual. I am feeling better this week than I did last. The boarders are still here but the week's rest I had, done me a lot of good and I have a pretty good girl with me now.

Elisha has not been feeling very well a day or two past but is so he goes about. I think he has been trying too hard to get fat by eating 3 raw eggs every day for a long time one thing: and eggs taken too many days too bracing but when he goes North and stays awhile I think it will be a great benefit to him. He is staying at home to day and resting a while. The houses are progressing fast now one will be ready to haul Monday.

Father says he has just had a Telegram from Boston that the Freeman started yesterday and that there is more than half a chance for Dothe to be onboard. Just think! is not that nice. It does seem as though the time could have arrived for him to be coming. I think perhaps I had better wait and come up to Bowden now when Dothe comes, and I hardly think Father will find time to come with me

me until after the Freeman arrives but you know Loren Father does not know realy when he will find the time or when will be the best time. When Father came before, sickness and Ruby's boils kept me at home. But do not reckon upon his coming any particular day and you will not be disappointed. When we are sure what day we can come will telegraph. Father is well and cheerful. The Baker is expected tomorrow. The cards and present from Mrs Higgins were very much appreciated and were very pretty indeed. Please tell Charlie to tell his Mother when he writes we all send her many thanks and think she was very kind indeed to send them to us. We must soon try and find something to send her in return. Then Rosa has left. Well, I think it is just as well not to keep a girl too long at a time as they like a change and the new one does better. Ruby is pleased enough with the Popsicle but thinks he cannot wait until he comes up to see it but I guess he can. With much love to you and many longings to see you

Remaining your loving Mother

Your choice of the picture is all right

Love my kind regards to Charlie Richard

Lewis & Mrs Brownson

Dear Con Lane

I received your good letter yesterday and was very glad to hear you were well [illegible] Boulder, we does not [illegible] are all homesick. If it was not for leaving Father alone and he would [illegible] dance [illegible] day look, we will take a team and [illegible] night and stay. There proved [illegible] hill of weather.

[illegible] tonight [illegible] passages of Tad eyes and gone [illegible] Flour and is not so good as the other [illegible] I have used all my hay except of nice flour. [illegible] (all they had) with much [illegible] a lot of kisses.

I will put in your suit of clothes and hope you will like them. But it seems to me they look [illegible] the upper [illegible]

Eugene has gone to New York on the
last steamer expects to be back in
three weeks. Mr Adams & Morey are
to Tenna's for a few days.
Remember me kindly to all the
folks and be a good boy
(as usual) and take care
of yourself [illegible]
[illegible] you & remain your
affectionate Mother.
Mrs Mc B.
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in a jar [illegible]
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Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188 3

My Dear Son Loren

Your letter with key inclosed was received this morning by the 'Adeline' and was glad to know you were getting along well and health was good. Tell Nurse the clothes were all right and that I have concluded to have my other clothes washed in Port Antonio but I would like her to send down my bed spread the next time there is a boat coming down, as we are short of bed clothes here, and the roll of Flannel which I received from Mrs Mathieson just before I came away, as Father will soon be in need of more flannels.
We are all well, and trust this will find you in good health. I have concluded not to have the other deal chest made if I have my clothes washed here,
With much love to you, and many wishes to see you
I remain

Your loving Mother

M. N. Baker

Give love to Nurse, Lottie and all friends

P.S. When convenient Loren please send me some sour oranges to clean the floors as they cannot be had here at present; and a few Nesberries would be nice sometime when you can find them as well as not.

Father

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Port Antonio

Wednesday noon

Dear Loren

I hastily write you a few lines to let you know that we had a pleasant passage down arrived about 6 o'clock, met with no rain at all. We called in to see Eugene's family on the way. We met Mr Robinson going down. Father will send up some cocoa-nut trash by one of the boats. Father is quite well only has quite a bad cold in his head. I'm going to the Office this afternoon. I think I shall come up on the Rider Saturday but I may possibly ride up instead. Tell Dubie Mattie has found him a lots of plaything and will bring him something nice. With Love to all and hoping this

will find you well. I ~~remain~~ your class

From Your loving
Mother

Father stood the Journey nicely

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Port Antonio
Friday afternoon

My Dear Son Loren

I hasten to write you a few lines to let you know we arrived home all right, but had a long tedious passage as the firemen did not understand how to keep a fire so we came very slow did not arrive until 9 o clock in the evening and the folks were quite worried about us. We were all quite seasick but Dottie. He took all the care of us and was realy a little gentlemen onboard the Aden. I shall look for mose in the Sparan
I hope this will find you all

well. Would you like to have Mrs Baslin to come and stay with you in Mrs Wilson's place or to give Mrs Wilson a rest. Father says she is a better cook than Mrs Gerring. I have not asked her yet. but I think she would come. I will write more next time as I am very busy to day

From your loving
Mother.
M. M. Baker

Give kind regards to
Mr Baker from all.

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Kingston Feb 1st 1883

My Dear Con Loren.

We arrived here all right about ½ past 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Had a pleasant passage and was but little sea-sick. As soon as I got onboard went right to my berth so got nicely seated, and am pleasantly situated at Mrs Gall's. I shall go to the Photographers to morrow and if I have some dressmaking done for myself and Mattie. will not be back until next week when the Aden comes.

The Nurse is very valuable help to me in taking care of the children.

I hope this will find you all well. If there is anything you think of you would

like me to get you here, send me word.

With much love to you
I am Your loving Mother

No. No. 3

Nurse sends plenty of
"How-Do" to you Lil

Remember me all
Kindly to all

I think you have a very good photograph to have a picture painted from
I wish Dottie could come here and have one, as we cannot get his in America unless we send to Uncle Samuel to one here. Why no come to think of it- Father has a very good one in Portsmouth.

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Mr Lewis D. Baker

Port Morant

Bowden Estate

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Kingston Saturday forenoon

My Dear Son.

I have just written to Father to Port Antonio and I must write you a few lines to let you know how we are getting along. I could not get through with my business to come in the train this morning so will remain until next week when Father can send for us. I am just going this forenoon to the Photographers. I cannot drive business as I wish to, or I would have come home to day.
It is not half so pleasant here as at Bowden or Port Antonio but I am very glad to have the privilege of coming here to get my dresses cut, and other things accomplished. The dress-

maker says she cannot get Mattie
and my dresses finished before the
last of the coming week.
I must close now as I am going
to the Photographers and the Mail
closes early. will write again
Monday, and to Father & Dottie.

In haste
From your loving
Mother.
M. M. Baker

We are all well

Kingston Feb 7th 1883

My Dear Son Louis

I received your good letter this morning and was very glad to hear from you. I am getting rested and feeling much better than when I first came. I was glad to hear Dottie had arrived all right; I had rather he would be to Boulder while I am away than to Fort Antonio as he will not be so likely to get sick;

Thursday Feb 8th

Since the beginning of this letter I had to lay it aside as I found the fast had passed.
I received a letter from father this morning from Eu. Texas. He says

to be in Port Antonio tomorrow and to Bowden in about ten days. I shall write to him to day and tell him I shall be waiting for a chance to come home after this week is out. Then I shall be all through with everything I had to accomplish.

There is and old minister here by name of Clark who is suffering very much with his eyes. one eye is blind and he is afraid of loosing the sight of the other. He had the Erysipelas which settled in his eyes and caused abscesses. He has two doctors to attend him and has had one operation performed already and must have another tomorrow and put under the influence of Chloroform.

and yet he is so faithful it is really remarkable. He says he is in the Lord's hands everything is all right. His wife & family are not here and do not know about it, and he does not dare to tell them.

Mrs Ballard the New York Lady is still here and we are firm friends. She helped me dress for the photograph and arrange my hair, and is a lot of help and company for me.

With much love to you and many wishes to see you

I am Your loving
Mother
M. M. B.

Tell Dottie I will write to him Saturday as the post office close before I can finish writing

Remember me to all.

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Myrtle Bank Feb 12th

My Dear Son Loren

Have just received the Photographs and have just time to write a few words before mail closes and send them to you.
I hope you will like them.
I will send the same number to Father this morning and let him send word to Rev Bunsey which position of the children he likes best.
We are all well and getting along nicely Hoping you all are well, I am

Your affectionate
Mother. M. A. B.

Tuesday Morning Feb 18th

Dear Loren

I did not send this yesterday as I expected as it did not happen to be "Post day" after all. I have just received a letter from Father at Port-Antonio, and he writes I will have to stay and come in the "Alpi" to Port Morant as the Aden is away.

Well it is quite a benefit for me to stay here awhile as I can get fresh beef twice a day and it is doing me a lots of good. only I am sorry to have the expense and to be separated from the rest of my family so long. but if as Father says I can get a new lease of life by remaining here awhile it will be worth stopping for.

They tell me if I can build up my strength again I shall overcome this cough

I am very glad to hear you are well

Tell Dothe next post he will have a letter from me and Rubie and Mathi are going to write and tell him all about Kingston.

With much love to you all

I am Truly
Yours
Mott

Remember us kindly to Bro Bundy and tell him we hope he is enjoying himself. and is well.

Myrtle Bank Feb. 7th
1883

My Dear Son Loren & Dothie.

As I have not time to write to both separally and the promised letter from Mattie & Rubie to Dothie. I must write hastily to you both in one letter.

Received your good letter this morning saying you were all well and I was very glad to hear it as I am anxious all the time I am not with you.

Received a letter from Father this morning saying he should come on the Arran tuesday night at Bowden, and Uncle Elisha Hopkins & son had just arrived in the

Accadia and he thought he would bring them up to Bowden when he came. I wrote to him this morning that I thought he had better do so, and bring up another cot bed and I will buy a couple of pillows here.

I suppose Father will want us to come to Port Antonio if he is there after the rainy season is over. You will all enjoy Uncle Elisha's company I think. We are all well but Mattie has had a little spell of Fever but is all right to day A dose of oil is the "cure all." We shall all come in the Alps Wednesday if all is well. Mr Stenmetz & wife are going to America in the Alps so will come to Port Antonio with us, and will be company & help to us in getting aboard the steamer.

With love to all
I am your loving Mother M. A. B.

Mattie & Rubie will have a lots of stories to tell you when we get back.

Nurse still continues to be "good as gold". She is as smart now as any of the young women. I do not know what I should do without her here.

Port Antonio April
Monday

My Dear Son Loren

I will write you a few lines to let you know how we are getting along. We are all well as usual I am getting rested and feel better to day. Nurse arrived all right and likes here pretty well. but Bowden is the best place. Mattie & Rubie were planning the next day after they arrived what playthings they were to carry to Bowden. I have sent to day for Mr Robinson to come and do some upholstering. I will soon have some Guava jelly made and send you also some

remarks "there are plenty growing on the tree in the yard."
Mr Tracy & Edward took dinner with us to day as Father had a little business to attend to with him, and a document for me to sign. I am going over this evening to call on Mrs Welch. I'll enclose I must dress up in my best. Eugene is well & Elisha are all well. Please excuse haste; will write again soon.

Be sure and take care of yourself and not get tired

From your Mother

Mattie & Julie sends love, and the two peppermints in the tin.

How is Mrs Wilson. Does she do her work any better.
I am looking around for a good person for you. I have not spoken to Mrs Baslin yet. I have been so hurried to get the house in order before I had any callers. Remember me to all the folks.

Excuse great haste.

Port Antonio May 7th
Tuesday afternoon

My Dear Son Loren

I have been so very busy since I came here I have hardly had time to think. I found a lot to do, and five rats in one barrel. but have got about through now.
Father is well and the children but they are getting homesick to see Bowden again. They talked of what they were going to take home to Bowden, the first day they were here. Father says I cannot go home in the "Alba" because he will be so lonesome, and thinks I had better stay until he goes in August but I think he will change his

mind and I shall go sooner
But I will leave it with him
to decide when.
Joshua will go up in the Aden
to Port Morant this afternoon
and Father will be up Friday.
He will be a couple of weeks or
more before I come back, I think.
I hope you are well and are
not lonesome. be sure and take
care of yourself.
I wish you would send down
the small mattress Father bought
last at Kingston in the Aden if
convenient this time.
I have not received the squashes
you sent me and was sorry
to lose them, but I thank you
just the same as though I
received them.
I hear Mr Baker's Maple Syrup
& Butter came in the Tropic and
I suppose they will be sent by
Aden to day. I hope you will
enjoy it. The key to the trunk
sent is in the tin box of cakes
in Dol's travelling bag.
I shall soon make some Guava
Jelly and will send you some.
Nurse is well and does me
lots of good. She is washing all
the window curtains to day.
She told me about Mr Baker
cooking beefsteak one morning
for breakfast. I must ask him
to learn me when I get back.
Mr Hindis a young married
man from New York is here
stopping with us, and will
come up on the Aden when Father
comes to see the place and do.
With best wishes and longing to
see you. I remain Your loving
Mother. Mrs M. Baker

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Mr Loren D. Baker
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good care of yourself and look on the bright side. I know you will be a good boy.

From your loving
Mother.

Remember me kindly to all.

Port Antonio. May 10/93
Friday Noon

M. M. Baker. My Dear Son Loren

I received your good letter this morning also the box of nice Neseberries the squashes and beans. It is quite a present and we send you many thanks. We will have some nice baked beans for breakfast Sunday morning: I was very glad to hear you were well and getting along so well.
This morning Elisha asked me if I would like to have some Maple Syrup if so to send down something to put it in and he would send up some. I asked him where he got it and he said

it was some Mr Baker had
come out; and he had sent up
4 kins and kept two and that
Mr House opened one to see
what it contained.
I was very much surprised and
provoked too. and I told Elisha
to send it up by the Aden
this afternoon by all means and
then if Mr Baker choose to
send him some all right but
I did not wish any of it unless
it was sent by Mr Baker.
I think he is rather ashamed
now to send it. Said he would
not do so again but I told
him I would not keep these
two cans on any account.
He said Mr Baker said he
had sent for enough for him
also. but I told him if he had
of course he would choose to
distribute it himself.
So that not just like Elisha
That is too mean. I am sorry
Elisha is the one that did that.
Father and Mr Hime went up in
the Aden sooner than I expected.
We are all well as usual only of
course I am quite tired but I am
getting rested more every day now
I have done now all but what
the servants can do. Nurse is
ironing curtains to day.
I received the matches all right.
Next week we have concluded to
poison the sato only we must be
sure and keep the water covered
up but we may contrive some
other way to get rid of them.
I wish I had something ready to
send you in the Aden, but when
the Aaron comes I will have
something. Be sure and take

[illegible] Antonio Texas
[illegible] 1844

My Dear Son Lou

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to you here that I th[illegible]
will with a head [illegible]
[illegible] good [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]. You must have been
pretty tired when you got home that
night, or morning I think it must
have been.

[illegible]
a good cook, and I am [illegible]
have the answer to day upon the
post-office and I will then
[illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] a week.

[illegible] (accordi[illegible] to the custom
[illegible] or sometimes they give the
[illegible]

[illegible] a number of [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Marguerite with me. [illegible]
if she [illegible]
[illegible] this [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] — Mr. de Rubre [illegible]
[illegible] to get for you that she [illegible] and now a little [illegible]
[illegible] like a [illegible] school girl
[illegible] with [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] will [illegible] away home
[illegible] to [illegible] be.

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[illegible] of the [illegible]

Matthew Cutler
&
Brother Sam

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Rubio's letter
to
Brother Lorenzo

next time the train comes to Bowden.
Mrs Davis went to Congaree last night. I'll
warrant she was seasick in the train.
Father had [illegible]
business for him. Today he has gone to
spend the day on the property as he
[illegible] for some time.
[illegible] from Walter saying
Bro Bundy [illegible] sick
that he was taken with a fever and
kidney trouble and is very sick. He [illegible]
[illegible] well,
[illegible] more about a
month too soon. Father coaxed him to stay
month longer but his daughter was sick and
[illegible] to be here when he would be [illegible]
Bye until I see you. Your [illegible]

[illegible] I did not have
[illegible]
I heard last evening that John Pierce
Mrs Neal's son in law died with Pneumo-
nia lately. How sad to think of
getting to be a common disease at home.
[illegible] to Lottie yesterday to tell the p[illegible]
not to cut any more [illegible]
Indians. [illegible]
think there must be suffe[illegible]
alarm. [illegible]
(April) [illegible]
held an ironmonger and found [illegible]
[illegible]

June 6. 1875.

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[illegible] dear
letter was received with the sugar
kit containing the Raspberries & Mab.
Crisp, with much pleasure. [illegible]
you. Nothing could have pleased us
more. I was very glad to hear you
were all well. We are all well at
home. Father was not well the other
night, as he came home late and
didn't come down for dinner and the
doctor came afterwards. That's why the
inquiries with his name through the
[illegible] right
again now. I am quite proud of the
compliments you all give my bread.
I am going to send you some more
by the 'Alien' Friday, and hope it will
taste as good as ever.
Tell Mr Baker we send him many
thanks for the syrup. Nothing like it
sit right down and eat some with bread

soon as it comes in to the house.
Our Dottie is still improved, but is
bitter and hope soon to get home, for
she misses the so much you may make
Have good cheer of yourself, and try to
keep well.
We are having quite a gaiety time
time here in Mt. Antonio.

With much love. I
remain Your Loving Mother.
M. M. B.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 8th 1883

My Dear Son Loren,

I am sorry Mr Clark could not have your clothes ready to send in the Aden to day, but he has promised to have them finished the first of next week. I send you three loaves of bread and a tin of butter as it is unusualy good I think, and Mr Baker's butter from America must be a little rancid by this time, and I thought I would send you a couple of Pineapple Mincepies, as I know that is your favorite pie. I would get the Butler to put them in the Kerosene stove oven and heat them through and they will taste better & keep longer. We are all well at home and trust this will find you well. Father was up all night with the steamer last night, but is well, now. I expect he will be pretty tired by to morrow.

I cannot tell when exactly I shall come to Bowden but as soon as Father can spare us to come, but when he goes to America if I do not go with him. I shall always come to Bowden <u>sure</u>.
I must write a few lines to Dottie & send down the "Tub" to go in the Adv
Please remember to send it back in another.

From your loving
Mother. M. M. Baker.

Port Antonio
Tuesday - June 12th 1883

My Dear Son Loren

We are all well as usual except Mattie who has a bad cold. We are having a plenty of rainy weather now and it has been quite a lively time for the past three weeks.

A Telegram from Father states he will be at home tonight in the Aden.

Capt Anderson arrived yesterday morning and has brought a new stove for Bowden, and Grandpa Baker's furniture so Father will send them up the first chance. I am looking for Mr Adams & Lottie home in the Aden to night.

The fruit in Capt Andersons schooner arrived in good order after a passage of eight days, and every body seemed well pleased. Uncle Samuel came on board but there were no Bananas for him. I must ask Father to send him a bunch this time

Remember me kindly to all

From your loving
Mother
M. M. Baker

out. The other time he did have a chance to send those anything by her as he had the fall on board which I don't need bring up.

I have asked Father to let you have one of the different venus that have been taken lately, so I have them all ready for you but do not let many know you have them, because everybody seems to be after them, so I do not let anyone know I have any. I tell them they know already I have packed them away and I can tell them what they are if they wish it know without pulling them out.

Elisha seems to think he has a right to lay hold of most anything he comes across. I never saw one like him in that respect: but I tell Father he would not eat up my dinner so he does when sent to the Office more than twice but he does not seem to mean any harm which makes it all the more mysterious. Well, after we learn a person's ways we can know how to manage.

I hope you have a good housekeeper I wrote now. Eugene said he saw a strange woman to Bowden doing the work so I expected she had come. I am looking for a letter from you by past to day or by the Aden to night.

I trust this will find you all well and getting along nicely. Where is Esther now and Margaret.

Nurse is well and getting along nicely only she likes Bowden to live, I tell her.

Tell Dottie the Coolie man that brings the water brought his little boy with him yesterday and before anyone was aware of it he went to the cage and let out Dottie's last little bird and the little dog killed it so the cage is empty now. It is too bad but we cannot keep many pets here among such a parcel of rude children. I should like to see you very much and trust we shall meet again before long.

[illegible] June 20th

My Dear [illegible]

[illegible] your good [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible]

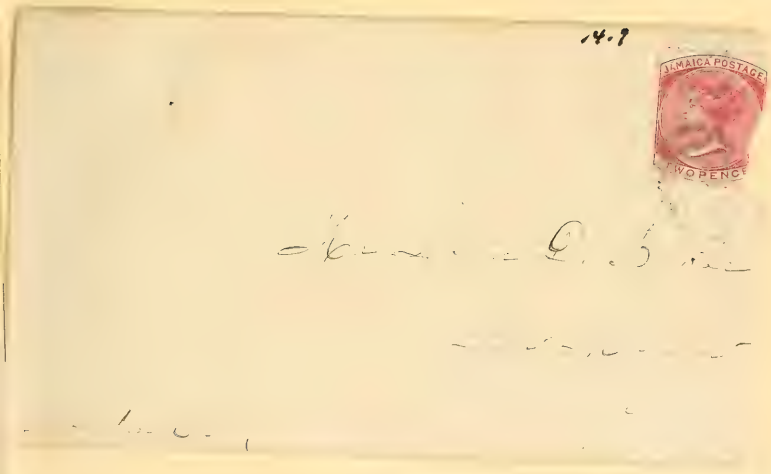
[illegible] hope this will find you all well. [illegible]

[illegible] as often as you can. [illegible] well! Remember [illegible] and accept a good [illegible] yourself, from [illegible] loving [illegible].

spout to catch rainwater so the water thinks. Mr Morey made up his mind

[illegible] come in here and come out again to no business.
Eden, he does not think will come [illegible] the o[illegible]

[illegible] He had a heavy squall to [illegible]
last night, and Father was worried al-
about his boats being out.
The "Andes" is here to be loaded to day.
Mr Morey, another young man from [illegible] to teach [illegible]
Oswego is here, and in spite of all [illegible]
[illegible] Jonathan [illegible] Adams [illegible] spare his [illegible]
[illegible] come out [illegible] day [illegible]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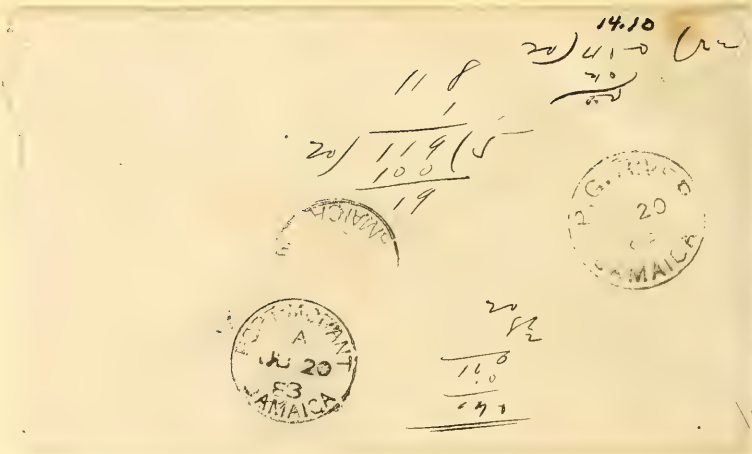
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Mattie's letter to Bro Lorin

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Rubie's letter to Bro. Solen.

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this last which I send with the music. I [illegible]
They are splendid & the

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[illegible] & text [illegible]. but [illegible]
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[illegible] Father's letters indeed
[illegible] much pleased with them.
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[illegible] I was so glad to have
been very glad indeed. I
[illegible] well, and we know the bright side
[illegible] of our many good blessings
[illegible] when I first arrived. I was
very impatient to get to bed
[illegible]
[illegible] will do me much good
in the end. I have no more
[illegible] to me this evening, now
my health is better just at this
not seem good nor, rather I have
[illegible] drawing, the time
[illegible] scattered.
I got some medicine for you
[illegible]

also a jar of Marlborough preserves
which I know a child can never
say all splendid of that.
We have found a nice flat of house —
[illegible] this year and will have no
[illegible]
[illegible] on the little epistle.
Don't trouble to send a letter
from the Isle of New Wight, the
[illegible] I received a letter from
[illegible] very pleasant, and I am so
glad he is there instead of the
[illegible] Newton. [illegible]
[illegible] with Aunt in
[illegible]
Enclosed [illegible] being
a [illegible] experiment one. I should have
been so glad if you could have had
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Rubie's Letter to Bro Solen.

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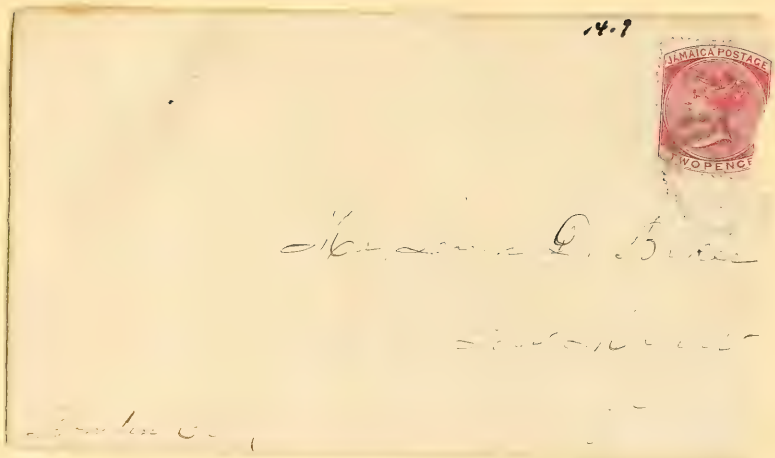
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in a bad state just right for us all to [illegible] his [illegible] and brought [illegible] Mr Watson [illegible] and dug trenches, and fixed the

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[illegible] Uncle Samuel writes they have a great deal to say about their cousins out to the West Indies. Write as often as you can. [illegible] Remember [illegible] and accept a great deal of love [illegible] yourself from [illegible] your loving Mother.

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to come home in the "Minia" as the and come out a[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible]
the stormy weather is bad in his [illegible] in America but possibly he may
[illegible] Jamaica he [illegible] change his mind [illegible]
[illegible] stay [illegible]

Remember me kindly to all

From your loving
Mother
M. M. Baker

Port Antonio
Tueday - June 12th 1883

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but the other time he did have a chance to send home anything by her as she had the fall on board which about used him up.

I have asked Father to let you have one of the different views that have been taken lately, so I have them all ready for you but do not let many know you have them, because everybody seems to be after them, so I do not let anyone know I have any. I tell you I have packed them away and can tell them what they are if they wish to know without pulling them out.

Elisha seems to think he has a right to lay hold of most anything he comes across. I never saw one like him in that respect but I tell Father he would not eat up my dinner as he does when sent to the office more than twice but he does not seem to mean any harm which makes it all the more mysterious. Well, after we learn a person's ways we can know how to manage.

I hope you have a good housekeeper & cook now. Eugene said he saw a strange woman to Bowden doing the work so I supposed she had come. I am looking for a letter from you by past 12 day or by the Aden to night.

I trust this will find you all well and getting along nicely. Where is Esther now and Margaret.

Nurse is well and getting along nicely only she likes Bowden to live, the bell-bell Dottie. the Coolie man that brings the water brought his little boy with him yesterday and before anyone was aware of it he went to the cage and let out Dottie's last little bird and the little dog killed it so the cage is empty now. It is too bad but we cannot keep many pets here among such a parcel of rude children. I should like to see you very much and trust we shall meet again before long.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 8th 1883

My Dear Son Loren,

I am sorry Mr Clark could not have your clothes ready to send in the Aden to day, but he has promised to have them finished the first of next week. I send you three loaves of bread and a tin of butter as it is unusually good I think, and the Baker's butter from America must be a little rancid by this time, and I thought I would send you a couple of Pineapple Mincepies, as I know that is your favorite pie. I would get the Butter to put them in the Kerosene stove oven and heat them through and they will taste better & keep longer. We are all well at home and trust this will find you well. Father was up all night with the steamer last night, but is well, now. I expect he will be pretty tired by to morrow.

I cannot tell when exactly I shall come to Bowden but as soon as Father can spare us to come, but when he goes to America if I do not go with him. I shall always come to Bowden once.
I must write a few lines to Dottie & send down the "Tub" to go in the Aden
Please remember to send it back in ~~[illegible]~~ her.

From your loving
Mother. M. M. Baker

June 6 1883.

[illegible]

Your good [illegible] received with the sugar tub containing the Raspberries & Maple [illegible] very much [illegible] very well [illegible] very glad to hear you were all [illegible] home. Hattie was not well the other night, as he came home late and eat some [illegible] and then drank some lemonade, that with being irregular with his meals through the day caused the trouble but is all right again now. I am quite proud of the compliments you all give my bread. I am going to send you some more the latter Friday, and hope it will taste as good as ever.

Tell Mr Baker we send him many thanks for the Syrup. Mattie had to visit [illegible] town and [illegible] sad

soon as it came into the house.
[illegible]
We should like to see you very much.
Take good care of yourself, and try to
[illegible]
We are having quite a rainy blowy
time here in Port Antonio.

With much love I
remain Your Loving Mother.
[illegible]

glare of the sun more than possible and
sleep all you can.
I must send word and see if your
clothes are done, if so will send them the
next time the "Aden" comes K. Bowden.

Fort Antonio

My Dear Son Leon

business for him. To-day he has gone to
spend the day on the [illegible]
has not been for some time.

you well and comfortable,

Mrs Neal's son in law. [illegible]

month longer but his daughter was sick and want-

Be a good boy and keep

[illegible] lodged

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Rubio's letter
to
Brother Leon

[illegible] Antonio [illegible]
[illegible] 1863.

[illegible]

[illegible] a [illegible] found [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

post-closes and I will then write and let you hear [illegible] of the daily [illegible], you will [illegible] this in a week.

[illegible] or sometimes they give [illegible]
[illegible] escape in admiration and
[illegible] away at once)
I wonder if Mrs Thomas [illegible]
[illegible] Margaret will say, that no
if she had a right to. [illegible]
[illegible] that I'm trying — Mrs Thomas [illegible]
[illegible] to be upset
[illegible] like a little school girl
[illegible] with her Christmas
and she could not run away home
[illegible] be
But if you can help Mr
I would do so.
[illegible] I've left a
and a [illegible] of dark [illegible]
the matter with [illegible]
[illegible] the right [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Port Antonio. May 10/73

Friday Noon

My Dear Son Loren

I received your good letter this morning also the box of nice Neseberries the squashes and beans. It is quite a present and we send you many thanks. We will have some nice baked beans for breakfast Sunday morning. I was very glad to hear you were well and getting along so well.

This morning Elisha asked me if I would like to have some Maple Syrup if so to send down something to put it in and he would send up some. I asked him where he got it and he said

good care of yourself and look on the bright side. I know you will be a good boy.

From your loving
Mother.

M. M. Baker.

Remember me kindly to all.

it was some Mr Baker had
come out; said he had sent up
4 tins and kept two and that
Mr House opened one to see
what it contained.
I was very much surprised and
provoked too and I told Elisha
to send it up by the Aden
this afternoon by all means and
then if Mr Baker choose to
send him some all right but
I did not wish any of it unless
it was sent by Mr Baker.
I think he is rather ashamed
now to send it. Said he would
not do so again but I told
him I would not keep these
two cans on any account.
He said Mr Baker said he
had sent for enough for him
also but I told him if he had
of course he would choose to
distribute it himself.
Do that not just like Elisha
That is too mean. I am sorry
Elisha is the one that did that.
Father and Mr Kimo went up in
the Aden sooner than I expected.
We are all well as usual only of
course I am quite tired but I am
getting rested more every day now
I have done now all that what
the servants can do. Nurse is
ironing curtains to day.
I received the matches all right.
Next week we have concluded to
poison the rats only we must be
sure and keep the water covered
up but we may contrive some
other way to get rid of them.
I wish I had something ready to
send you in the Aden, but when
the Arion comes I will have
something. Be sure and take

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Mr Loren D. Baker
Port Mirant-
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Bowden Estate


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KINGSTON
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JAMAICA
TWO PENCE
TOO LATE
Mrs Lucy D. Baker
Port Morant
Bowden Estate
G. Baker & Co

Port Antonio May 7th
Tuesday afternoon

My Dear Son Loren

I have been so very busy since I came here I have hardly had time to think. I found a lot to do, and five rats in one barrel. but have got about through now.

Father is well and the children but they are getting homesick to see Bowden again. They talked of what they were going to take home to Bowden, the first day they were here. Father says I cannot go home in the "Alva" because he will be so lonesome, and thinks I had better stay until he goes in August but I think he will change his

Kathie & Eunice sends love and the two peppermints in the tin.

How is Mrs Wilson. Does she do her work any better.
I am looking around for a good person for you. I have not spoken to Mrs Baslin yet I have been so hurried to get the house in order before I had any callers. Remember me to all the folks.

Excuse great haste.

mind and I shall go sooner
But I will leave it with him
to decide when.
Joshua will go up in the Aden
to Port Morant this afternoon
and Father will be up Friday.
I will be a couple of weeks or
more before I come back, I think.
I hope you are well and are
not lonesome. Be sure and take
care of yourself.
I wish you would send down
the small mattress Father bought
last at Kingston in the Aden if
convenient this time.
I have not received the squashes
you sent me and so sorry
to lose them, but I think you
just the same as though I
received them.
I hear Mr Baker's Maple Syrup
& Butter came in the Cropic and
I suppose they will be sent by
Aden to day. I hope you will
enjoy it. The key to the trunk
sent is in the tin box of cakes
in Dot's travelling bag.
I shall soon make some Guava
Jelly and will send you some.
Nurse is well and does me
lots of good. She is washing in
the window curtains to day.
She told me about Mr Baker
cooking beefsteak one morning
for breakfast. I must ask him
to learn me when I get back.
Mr Hendis a young married
man from New York is here
stopping with us, and will
come up on the Aden when Father
comes to see the place and de.
With best wishes and longing to
see you. I remain Your loving
Mother. M. J. Baker

Port Antonio April
Monday

My Dear Son Loren

I will write you a few lines to let you know how we are getting along. We are all well as usual I am getting rested and feel better to day. Nurse arrived all right and likes here pretty well. but Bowden is the best place. Mattie & Eubie were planning the next day after they arrived what kind things they were to carry to Bowden. I have sent to day for Mr Robinson to come and do some upholstering. I will soon have some chairs fully made and send you also some

tamarindo. There are plenty growing on the tree in the yard. Mr Tacy & Edward took dinner with us to-day as Father had a little business to attend to with him, and a document for me to sign. I am going over this evening to call on Mrs Welch. So I suppose I must dress up in my best. Eugene is well & Elisha are all well. Please excuse haste; will write again soon.

Be sure and take care of yourself and not get sick

From Mother

Myrtle Bank Feb 17th
1883

My Dear Fan Loren & Dothie.

As I have not time to write to both separally and the promised letter from Mattie & Rubie to Dothie. I must write hastily to you both in one letter.

Received your good letter this morning saying you were all well and I was very glad to hear it as I am anxious all the time I am not with you.

Received a letter from Father this morning saying he should come up on the train tuesday night with Bowden, and Uncle Elisha Hopkins & son had just arrived in the

Accadia and he thought he would bring them with him Sunday when he came. I wrote to him this morning that I thought he had better do so, and bring up another cot bed and I will buy a couple of children's here.

I suppose Father will want us to come to Port Antonio if he is there after the rainy season is over. You will all enjoy Uncle Elisha's company I think. We are all well but Mattie has had a little spell of Fever but is all right to day A dose of oil is the "cure all." We shall all come in the Alps Wednesday if all is well. Mr Stennstreet & wife are going to America in the Alps so well come to Port Morant with us, and will be company & help to us in getting aboard the steamer.

With love to all
I am your loving Mother M.A.B.

Mattie & Eubie will have a lots of stories to tell you when we get back.

Nurse still continues to be "good as gold". She is as smart now as any of the young women. I do not know what I should do without her here.

Tuesday Morning Feb 18th

Dear Loren

I did not send this yesterday as I expected as it did not happen to be "Post day" after all. I have just received a letter from Father at Port-Antonio, and he writes I will have to stay and come in the "Alpi" to Port Morant as the Aden is away.

Well it is quite a benefit for me to stay here awhile as I can get fresh beef twice a day and it is doing me a lots of good. only I am sorry to have the expense and to be separated from the rest of my family so long. but if as Father says I can get a new lease of life by remaining here awhile it will be worth stopping for.

They tell me if I can build up my strength again I shall overcome this cough. I am very glad to hear you are well

Tell Dothe next post he will have a letter from me and Rubie and Mathi are going to write and tell him all about Kingston.

With much love to you all

I am Truly
Yours.
Mott

Remember us kindly to Bro Bundy and tell him we hope he is enjoying himself. and is well.

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Myrtle Bank Feb 12th

My Dear Son Loren

Have just received the Photographs and have just time to write a few words before mail closes and send them to you.
I hope you will like them.
I will send the same number to Father this morning and let him send word to Bro Emory which position of the children he likes best.
We are all well and getting along nicely Hoping you all are well I am

Your affectionate
Mother. M. A. B.

P.S. We are all well.

Kingston Feb 7th 1883

My Dear Son Loren

I received your good letter this morning and was very glad to hear from you. I am getting rested and feeling much better than when I first came. I was glad to hear Dottie had arrived all right. I had rather he would be to Bowden while I am away than to Port Antonio as he will not be so likely to get sick;

Thursday Feb 8th

Since the beginning of this letter I had to lay it aside as I heard the Post road cried.
I received a letter from father this morning from Port Maria. He writes

to be in Port Antonio tomorrow and to Bowden in about ten days. I shall write to him to day and tell him I shall be waiting for a chance to come home after this week is out. Then I shall be all through with everything I had to accomplish.

There is and old minister here by name of Clark who is suffering very much with his eyes. One eye is blind and he is afraid of losing the sight of the other. He had the Erysipelas which settled in his eyes and caused abscesses. He has two doctors to attend him and has had one operation performed already and must have another tomorrow and put under the influence of Chloroform.

and yet he is so patient it is really remarkable. He says he is in the Lord's hands everything is all right. His wife & family are not here and do not know about it and he does not dare to tell them.

Mrs Ballard the New York lady is still here and we are firm friends. She helped me dress for the Photograph and arranging hair, and is a lot of help and company for me.

With much love to you and many wishes to see you

I am Your loving
Mother
M. M. B.

Tell Dottie I will write to him Saturday as the post office close before I can finish writing

Remember me to all.

Kingston Saturday forenoon

My Dear Son.

I have just written to Father to Port Antonio and I must write you a few lines to let you know how we are getting along. I could not get through with my business to come in the train this morning so will remain until next week when father can send for us. I am just going this forenoon to the Photographers. I cannot drive business as I wish to, or I would have come home to day.
It is not half as pleasant here as at Bowden or Port Antonio but I am very glad to have the privilege of coming here to get my dresses cut, and other things accomplished. The dress-

maker says she cannot get Mattie:
and my dresses finished before the
last of the coming week.
I must close now as I am going
to the Photographers and the Mail
closes early. will write again
Monday, and to Father & Dottie.

In haste

From your loving

Mother.

M. M. Baker


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KINGSTON
JAMAICA
TWOPENCE
Mr Leon D. Baker
Port-Morant
Bowden Estate

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Ipswich Feb 1st 1883

My Dear Son Loren.

We arrived here all right about ½ past 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Had a pleasant passage and was but little sea-sick. As soon as I got onboard went right to my berth so got nicely seated, and am pleasantly situated at Mrs Gall's. I shall go to the Photographers to morrow and if I have some dressmaking done for myself and Mattie. will not be back until next week when the Eden comes.
The Nurse is very valuable help to me in taking care of the children.
I hope this will find you all well.
If there is anything you think of you would

like me to get you here, send me word.

With much love to you
I am Your loving Mother

M. M. B.

Nurse sends plenty of
"How-Do" to you all

Remember me all
Kindly to all

I think you have a very good photograph to have a picture painted from
I wish Dottie could come here and have one, as we cannot get his in America unless we send to Uncle Samuel to one here. Why no come to think of it- Father has a very good one in Port-Dalhousie.

Drawing room & breakfast room & are to begin plastering next week.

Mr. Allen (the late Governor) is back again at his post this week & has so notified his Agents.

We are sending some Plants for the Buffalo Exhibition by the Braves among them a little Cocoanut tree.

I have got up a few pretty collections from the Botanic Gardens which I think will carry best of all if they are well cared.

I send you some Papers all the Cards here asked to be kindly named — Excuse me. Best wishes for you & yours sincerely

E. Hamborough

Rowdon
Ind. Angus 1889

Dear Lorn

I send just a line to the Braves to let you know that we are all jogging along no worse than when I wrote you last.

Capt. Wilkie speaks of going home next week & that soon to the pole in that least for a short time in the domicile. Hope you have quite "picked up" again since your recent experiences & that you have been having a pleasant time.

The lecture & reasons are now coming upon the

A. B. Cotter

Ly. L. Cotter
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Letter
Thos. Lee to Eben
at home
Aug. 31. 1889.

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Saturday

Mount-Vernon N.H. Aug 31st-1889

My Dear Son Loren

I have just received a letter from your father, and he writes I must be ready to sail the 16th of Sept: but does not say what steamer to take. will probably write you that.
I would come to Mont-Vernon as soon as you can make your visit in Wellfleet and let me go to Gloucester, there you can finish your other visits this way while I am there. I shall want a day to do shopping, while in Boston before I go to Gloucester.
I hope you and Joshua will have a nice visit in Wellfleet.
Give my love to father & mother

and Aunt Betsey if she is there.
We are all well as usual.

With much love to
you and Joshua
from Mother.

PS.
Flesh brush received to day.
Mrs Starrett is sick a bed to day, but
trust she will be better soon.
A letter from Uncle Walter says he
would like Mattie & Reubie to come
up if I cannot with them, and if
there is not room in the house one
of the neighbors have gone away and
he can get us a room there, but
I think we better wait until next
year. Aunt Mattie is comfortable but
not very strong. excuse this short
letter as I have others to write to
day.

Mother

P.S. If the trunk will get much injured by moving about, I would get a canvass covering and then you will always have it.

Mount Vernon N.H. Sept. 5th 89

My Dear Son Loren

I have just been over to Mrs Gleasons and packed up yours, and Reubens things, as Mrs Starrett wishes to move you over here and occupy the room adjoining mine, and I see that it will be necessary for you to bring your trunk so I shall not have room in mine for more than Hattie and my own. I forgot when I asked you when you were coming back that you might want to go to Beverly Farms. I think they will be expecting you there so if you come up the first of next week it will be time enough.

Be sure and bring me another small bottle of Bovinine and the bottle of beef-

kind of Ladies boot polish and the plasters you have already wrote down in memorandum book. Mrs Rich has seen Rubie, and is coming to Boston this afternoon. I think we had better go to Gloucester the last of the week but will want to go shopping one day first; to take the goods with me there to leave with Mrs Hobbs. I am planning to have Maria work when I first come on again. After we return from Gloucester I want to make a visit of two or three days to Mrs Harding in Chelsea and see Sophronia and spend two or three days with Samuel, and then before we pay one or two days more shopping and a day to Beal-between by that time the Harmon will be here again.

In haste and
with much love, from
Mother

The teachers were very nice
we glad you got them, many thanks.

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company.
The steward is very kind, even to waiting on the servant-girls with all the balance imaginable. Father says I had better write you to ask Mr McGann to give you the measure of the tops of doors for headlights as he cannot find his measure. I saw Mr McGann taking the measure of them all just before he left our house, I saw him note it in his book. I wonder he did not give it to us but suppose he forgot it. Please send it by the first steamer so father can have time to select them as he likes. I must close now as my sheet is nearly filled and

S.S. Ethelred.
Latitude 35-20. Longitude 71-8
Monday afternoon July 21st

My Dear Son Loren

You will doubtless be surprised at the heading of this letter, as Mother is not apt to be able to write during a seavoyage, but this morning a part of the Machinery broke, so of course we are obliged to lay by and have it repaired before proceeding farther, which we hope will be completed by this evening. Well Loren we have had a very pleasant trip so far. It was quite rough the first day or two. Father has taken such good care of me, and planned every thing

so nicely for me (which of course
no one else but him could do)
that I am able to sit up and
write you. I was afraid if I
waited until I arrived in Boston
I might not find the time to
write by the first ship going.
Reubie is able to walk about
quite well now. Father & Dot rub
his leg often and it has helped
it much, he is in excellent spirits
despite the accident this morning
the girls are enjoying themselves
rather too hilarious so we had
to speak to them this afternoon
not to be quite so noisy.
We had quite an excitement
this forenoon onboard. The sailors
caught a shark and pulled
him onboard. Reubie I think
forgot he had a lame leg about
that time. I think. It pleased
father very much to see him try
to run among the men and
the shark.
It is just a perfect day. just
cool enough, and very smooth.
We are very thankful that the
accident was not more serious.
although I heard them say
it was a miracle that it was
not more so; It seems there
was a poor place in the iron
which caused it to break. When
father and Joshua write you they
will explain it to you.
Mr Wolfe seems to be enjoying the
voyage very much, and is good

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Essex Aug 1st 1890

My Dear Son Loren

As the steamer sails tomorrow, I will [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] health is much better than
it was last year, and everyone
tells me I am looking much
better.

When we arrived in Boston
we found Mr. [illegible] and family
waiting for us, and it was [illegible]
[illegible] to talk with them; they could
not take [illegible] [illegible]
told father if we did not [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to dinner
[illegible] yesterday and yesterday
afternoon [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] 's mother. We had a very
pleasant time and they were very
kind to us. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] He
seems [illegible] [illegible] and is
much [illegible] in his [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] who came just-
[illegible] [illegible]. They wanted
us to stay to tea and go [illegible] in
the evening but [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] we would be back to tea.
Father was going with us, but he
went to Boston to try and find Eugene
down on the steamer, but he went
to New York, the first time he ever
went on board [illegible] [illegible], and he

[illegible] going to come in night-off to
[illegible] Bailey, and [illegible] Preston
[illegible] and [illegible] there do
[illegible] They had a [illegible] for the
[illegible] should come in first.
[illegible] He had a [illegible] to
[illegible] the [illegible] and they seemed
[illegible] very pleased to come in so soon.
[illegible] Mrs Bowman [illegible] there that evening
[illegible] Mrs Bowman [illegible] the next morning.
Depot. [illegible] the second new girl to see us.
[illegible] the [illegible] expect [illegible] the sick-with [illegible] and [illegible]
to Boston in the morning and [illegible] they [illegible] for [illegible] the [illegible]
a little more [illegible], then go [illegible] which [illegible] them [illegible] much.
[illegible] Mrs Bowman has a [illegible]
Our dinner was [illegible] place here, it seems to me [illegible]
[illegible] of the [illegible]. To day they are
so [illegible] a little [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] Bowman came up for a [illegible]

[illegible] as ever. The [illegible] is
wide-not-[illegible] [illegible] it was
[illegible] the [illegible] all time.

I wish you in my letter [illegible]
[illegible] the dinner [illegible]
fire-light over the dinner table
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
drawing room, also the [illegible]
[illegible] fence over in the [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] room to [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] also the
side of the room to [illegible] the
[illegible] of [illegible] side to
[illegible] I think it [illegible] done
[illegible] myself before I left-home.
but-forgot-it-probably on account
of Pauline's [illegible]
of my time and [illegible]

It [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
which [illegible] Bimbi is. She seems
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Now
[illegible] I must [illegible] to go, for
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] today.

Sarah & Hilda went to Westbrook
the [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the steamer.
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] until
me [illegible] as he said he did
not want to go down until
the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] my [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] since I heard
from you, but since we left
you and wished you could
with us. I trust you are in
good health, and are enjoy-
ing yourself. [illegible] would
to the time when you can come
with us. Lulu has improved
a little in her music since we
heard her play the harmonica.
Be sure and take care of
your health. Remember me
kindly to Nurse and the cook.
Tell my dear little Richard, Elisha
& Polly how much we miss them.
With much love to you
I will say Good Bye for this
time, hoping to hear from you
soon, I am Your loving sister

[illegible] Tuesday. It is
time for us to go back to Ga. Mama
Father said he would run down and see
us in a few days some other time. I
hope we can surely spend the day
with them before we go back to
Ga. I think Lulu is quite pleas-
ed with [illegible] very
much. She thought it one time
she would come and take care
of her father instead of her mother
but her father told her jokingly
that he was afraid he would
not get much care there now.
Lulu is having quite one of the
best times she ever had with Frankie &
Mr Burnham. It is very pleas-
ant to have Lulu sings [illegible]
and she made so much of by
all the family. [illegible]
[illegible] thinking if you should
see him. He can walk at most as

Arlie, I have no [illegible]
[illegible]. He will be in
Hillsfield Sunday and return
Monday. As he will make a short
stay. He will come down when
Father, Dot, and Mattie come Monday
night. Father expects to go to Boston
tomorrow morning. On the point to
Boston Monday morning to be present
at the great time in Tremont Temple.
Mattie went home Wednesday
in Mr Rogers's care, and Dot met
her at the Depot. I had a postal
from him to day saying Hel & Mattie
were in Plymouth at Clemence's store
on their way to Beverly Farms.
Lulu wrote Mattie a letter and
invited Ione and Joshua to come and
make her a visit Monday so she
could be there Tuesday I suppose.
but Mattie was not very well, so she
waited until Wednesday morning.
We have all wished so many times
that you could be with us.

Father & Frank would like you to send some limes very much when convenient. Mattie

Hillsfield Aug 14th 1890

My Dear Son Arlie

[illegible] good letter in the "Herald" and the box of fruit which were in nice condition. The Oranges were very nice, were sweeter because they grew on our own tree at Boulder. I have given a few to Uncle Nehemiah Hopkins family, who are at Grandpa's visiting and took considerable pride in telling them they grew on our own tree. I was very glad indeed to hear you were getting along so well, and I trust you will still be blessed with health and strength to battle with the ills of life, and that your path may be made as easy and pleasant as will

le for your best good, and God's blessing
with them. We are now settled
down in our new home "safe in port"
and it is really a pleasant place.
Aunt Annie furnished the house
partly with things she bought in
Salem, and the rest was brought
in from our house in the West.
We intended for everything to remain
there as it was but by some misunderstanding I suppose they came
brought here most of it. But
as it is, perhaps it is just as well,
it will make the expense much less
for this year.
Father has been making some improvements in around the house so
it is still growing more pleasant.
I suppose Joshua will write you
all about the little steamer father
will use in the Bay here for a little
while. and Hattie will tell you
all about her how father has hired
for her. She is happy as a lark and is
for company.
We moved here from Essex a week ago
last Saturday night. Grandpa came to meet
us at the Depot. Capt. Riley rode in
the cars with us as far as South Hilliard
and then hacked to Gloucester.
I went to Church with the rest of
the family Sunday and in the evening
also. Father said "I shall not go on the
exciting side of the new house."
The next day I wanted to unpack
our trunks and settle our belongings
so I worked all day and went up
and down stairs a good deal, also
took some cold, which gave me an
ill turn for a few days, but I
am real smart again now, and
find I am gaining all the time.
I have seen Samuel and family
they have been down at their
house staying a few weeks. Samuel
went home, Tuesday morn and Hattie
but Melissa and the two little
girls are going home tomorrow.

fish don't bite in the afternoon.
Reubie says Sam Porch Lawn was here
The steamer is a great wonder to the
boys and Reubie is very happy.
We have had several callers. Mrs
Kemp brought us some nice sweet
corn, and a squash to day. He told
father we could have water pipes
laid in our house if we wished them
and father thinks he will.
Delia has been in to see us quite often
from Grandpa's Aunt Sarah is with him
but she walked up to day to see
me and the house & place. She thought
it was very pleasant indeed. Effie
Kemp was here with her father in the
Millfield Savings
Bank. I have helped Aunt Annie
can some huckleberries to day.
Katie has really grown pretty and like
here so well she thinks she would
like to live here all the time.
Sarah looks full as well as she
did when she left home, and
[illegible]
a concert in the Methodist church

about a week ago and made quite a good
appearance. Mrs Kemp says she wished
we would bring a ship load of them
here, help is so very scarce. Effie
Kemp wants to keep Katie very much
I believe. Katie McCormick washes
for us and the girls with Aunt
Annie do the ironing and other
work, that is Aunt does up the
bosom shirts and colars as Sarah
does not know how to iron yet.
[illegible] is a nice black and white
cat with double paws who belongs
to the family who formerly lived
here and she insists upon still
remaining here although the owner
has done all she can to keep
her with her.
Mr Davis [illegible] called to
see us and gave us a few of the
views he took in Jamaica. They
were not very good. The one of
our Veranda looked very good.
He said he didn't understand
the climate or the light & [illegible]

in Jamaica very well and it had
been so long since he had taken any
fictious he did not do as well as
he generally did.
I have been waiting to hear
[illegible] having a splendid
time and that Lulu wants her to
stay very much over Sunday and
go to the "Christian Endeavor"
meeting Monday and she would
come home Tuesday morning. I hardly
know what to write her to do.
but think I will let her stay.
if Papa is willing. I suppose
Dal will come home Saturday with
Arthur and Mattie could come
down alone if she was put
aboard the cars.
It is getting late and I must close
for this time. Dal & Lotie send "howdy"
to all. Trusting this will find
you well and happy, I will say
Good Night. With much love
Your Sister.

Lulu wrote Mattie she was going down
to Jamaica on the next steamer and
being you know with her. Then she
wrote in parenthesis "she wished she
could". Lulu's brother has his vacation
this week so she took this week to
visit them. Yesterday afternoon
father, Rubie and myself took a
ride down to our little house and
picked out a few more things to bring
up; looked over his bills and
got Grandpa Hambleton's family
Bible and brought that home. He
is really improving himself very
much I think; only occasionally he
feels as though he ought to be
in Jamaica looking after the busi-
ness there. He and Rubie, W. Che
Higgins, Grandpa and a few other
Hook boys mostly have gone fishing
this afternoon in the little steamer.
Rubie has just arrived the rest
are coming. Said they did not get
any fish, but this morning they
caught one bluefish. They say

others, and with his own good
judgement, I think every thing
will be done in the best way.

[illegible] going we write see a letter
[illegible] She must be on the lookout
[illegible] it. Sarah and Katie have
[illegible] the grown fat, and are doing
well. Arthur Hopkins went to
[illegible]

and as to see your

My Dear Son Lorin

As I
[illegible] tomorrow in Boston I will
[illegible]

The is to pay his way by doing short-
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
week, or the next time the "Kong
[illegible]
[illegible] the office when we
returns from meeting and it is time
[illegible]

our letters dated at sea. Assume
[illegible]
sparing us from so
seen and unseen.
[illegible]

[illegible] and have to wait to
hear you are in America at home. Dothie will be coming be[illegible]
alone. That is most all that means pretty soon I suppose [illegible]
[illegible] have gone [illegible]
Father is having quite an anxious this evening [illegible]
time reorganizing the business, but this morning [illegible]
think he will come out all [illegible] business meeting [illegible]
on the end. I am [illegible] have been to see [illegible]
[illegible]
so late here. I am [illegible]
[illegible]
before you get here on account [illegible]

B.3.9.1

Friday Eve

Boston Aug 29th 1890
Quincy House

My Dear Son Loren

Since writing you last monday I have come to Boston and father & I are at the Quincy house for a short time. I went to the Dentists yesterday to have my teeth attended to. I have concluded to have a new set to make up with those I have already. I did not have to have one taken out or filled only 2 front ones moved nearer to the others which will be quite a long and disagreeable undertaking, but it will be nice to save all my own teeth. "Dr Drapur" is his name at "Evans House" on Tremont St one that Mrs Burnham recommended. Father thought the children better go to Dr Hudge as Dr Drapur living where he does charges quite a good price so Joshua Mattie & Rubie are at Lynn today

having their work done and making Aunt Thannie a visit at the same time.
We came up from Wellfleet day before yesterday. I am feeling quite like myself again.
To day Father and I went to a wholesale furniture store near by and bought some furniture or a part of it for our house at Bowden. We bought a nice Bookcase with the rest which I know you will be glad to know. Father thinks you had better strip off the mattings and set the furniture in the drawing room and send the mattings back as they will probably be worth $10.00 or more. He thinks we had better take the table we have already used in the drawing room and have it fixed up and polished and which would be worth a great deal when it is done. So he will either get Mr Williams, or send it to America to be done. I will buy a nice cloth for it. When you see Mr Williams please tell him I will bring the brass handles for the drawer to my Wardrobe he is making when I come. Father received the measure of headlights for doors all right, and some day we will go and buy them. We have not decided yet about the paper for drawing room. We may keep that which Mrs Preston bought. I met a Miss Woodwell

of Newburyport to day, one of the teachers we have been thinking about for Mattie & Rubie, and father and I think she will be just about what we will require. She is about 30 years old and has occupied a governess place some time, or taught a private school. She is a very fine piano player, teaches Vocal music also, and a fine elocution teacher, also German and all the other studies Mattie will require. Can also give Rubie some points in drawing. She has a Mother living and Grandmother who lives with her. She would like to come very much herself but which her Mother will of course feel very sorry to part with her. but I think she will come. She is very pleasant and firm also I should think. about the age of Abby Higgins father's cousin and looks and acts like her some. We are planning now to all go up to Concord to morrow night and remain until Tuesday or Wednesday. The children will be up from Swampscott tomorrow. I must see the Dentist again Wednesday or Thursday. Loren you cannot tell how sorry I am that you cannot come on while we are here, but at present it looks as though you would not be able to on account of this business which is being transacted. but really Loren I think another year you would enjoy it a great deal more. I will tell you all about it when I see you. Lulu I ~~suppose~~ know will be much disappointed, but she will have your visit to reckon upon, and she must make us a long visit in Jamaica. Father and I have not made Mrs Olin our visit yet but we are going to soon. We shall send you some grapes by the steamer which I trust will arrive in good condition. Huckleberries are very scarce this year but I have canned 1½ ~~dozen~~ jars to take home. Cousin Drusilla and Addie Stone called to see me in Wellfleet last Wed

nesdays. Elisha has written father a letter about Eugene and he feels rather bad about him, but is writing him to night. I do hope he will behave himself at present anyway, until father returns. then he will attend to him. I hope my dear good boy you are getting along well at home and are in good health. The time will soon come now when we will be with you, and I think we will have a very pleasant winter. Mr Sarah Snow I think will come down besides others and my health is so much improved I think we must take a good deal of comfort this year. I have bought Jane's little girl the small wooden rocking chair which will come with the furniture and I will keep for Christmas for her. Tell Nurse will surely write next steamer. Rubie is just as busy every minute with the boys so you must excuse him not writing before.

Trusting this will find you in good health and with many longings to see you, I must say good night for this time. Next steamer I will tell you about our visit to Concord.

With much love and best wishes, I am your loving Mother.

Pot father bought Matti a nice little watch to day and now she will be about happy enough yet can judge by what you have heard her say no regard to hearing one. Dot will see his in a few days.

Boston Sept-5th 1890

My Dear Son Loren

This is your birthday, and we all are taking note of it. I wish you many happy returns of the day.

I received your good letter of Aug 22nd in due time and was very glad to hear you are still getting along well and are in good health. We have all been to Concord since I last wrote you. had quite a pleasant visit, but I was sick one day with one of my neuralgia spells quite a severe one. I suppose I got all tired out, and took a little cold. After we arrived at the Lunay House in the evening I was taken again but not so severe as the first, and have been gaining quite fast since then. I must not travel about quite as much as I have been and I shall get along nicely.

Yes, Lulu did take a lots of pains to meet us

on the steamer and we thought a good deal of it. I must plan and spend the day with them before I come home.

I am preparing to have a set of false teeth to go with my natural teeth and in order to do that I must have one or two front ones moved nearer together. So I have had a plate with wires fastened around the teeth, in my mouth about a week and I must wear it about a ~~week~~ week longer. It is very uncomfortable but it is better than not to save my natural teeth. I must see the dentist every week until I go to Jamaica so it will call one to Boston more on that account. We are planning to go to Wellfleet tomorrow morning and come up again next Tuesday or Wednesday. We left Reubie to Concord last Tuesday and expect him down to day. We sent him your letter. It was too bad Father or Dot did not get down from Concord in time to send you the grapes I wrote about. But they surely will to day I think. Father is having a very busy and rather troublesome time just at present as the meetings have commenced in regard to reorganizing the fruit business, but he thinks every thing will work out all right in the end.

We received the limes all right-and in good condition, but-the guineps some one had eaten on board I think. We took the limes up to aunt-Martha, as we were just-going up there & am reckoning upon the Vegetable Pears Joshua has just-this minute brought-them in there are 8 good ones and they will be so nice to eat-. I cannot-eat-only what-is very soft-on account-of my teeth at present-Many thanks for them.

I have secured a teacher for the children. A Miss Woodwell of Newburyport-is 24 years of age. of Baptist-denomination, and can teach Vocal and Piano music very good. also Elocution German, Latin, and all the English branches. also Calisthenics and I think she will be a real nice person-

She is about-the size of Abbie Higgins (father's cousin) and looks some like her. She will come down with us. Hattie's school began last Thursday and is teaching this year in Chelsea.

I wish I had time to write a longer letter but Joshua is waiting to take it to the steamer so I will close for this time, by wishing you all that is good. With much love and many longings to see you; I am

your loving Mother.

P.S. I am glad you enjoyed the trip to Blue Mountain Peak so well and am glad you went. Sorry indeed to hear of Mr Wallace's death. Received the measure for curtains and paper & frieze all right. Please send the exact measure of the top of windows, facings in drawing room, to the bottom of the floor and the width of windows to the extent of the facings, as I want to get lace curtains for them.

Mother.

Boston Sept 13th 1890

My Dear Son Loren

I received your good letter of Sept 8d in due time and I assure you we were glad indeed to hear you were still in good health, and getting along so well.

I have been a little unwell the past week or two. I went up to Concord, and it was quite cold there and they had no fire, so I was pretty tired and took cold at that time, which brought on one of my Neuralgia spells, but the doctor has given me medicine which has helped me very much and I am about as well now as ever.

It is raining quite heavily to day and I do not know as I will be able to get to Wellfleet to night as we anticipated, but Dot & Nathie will go, and Father & I will probably go down next week. Rubie went down last

Saturday and he will be disappointed if some of us do not come. I know you will be very glad to hear from father to day the result of the ~~meeting~~ reorganization of the Boston Fruit Co. which was held here at the Quincy House in "Parlor G." Father has had quite an anxiety moved off his mind. It will be a short time longer before all is settled so he can come back to Jamaica. Mr Burnham insisted that you should be one of the board of directors when we father I belive raised a little objection, but he said yes, you was a worthy young man, and should be encouraged. I hope it will please you that you have been chosen.

Mrs Preston called at the Quincy house last sunday, brought me a bouquet of flowers, and invited me to come over and make them another visit instead of staying here, but I told her while I was having my teeth made, it was better for me to stay here where I would be handy to the Dentist, as I have to see him twice a week. I have just been over and he

has put in the under set to try awhile that I may know how they are to fit. They seem rather strange and uncomfortable at present and I think they are rather deep for my mouth, so I will ask him to alter them a little when I call to see him Wednesday. It is nice to be able to save all my natural teeth I have left is it not? I have 15 in all. I suffered some in having one of my front teeth moved nearer the others, but it is all right now. Father & Dot have been so very busy with the meeting, and yesterday went up to the Fair in Tilton, that he has not had time to look after the Alligator Pears & Oranges you so kindly sent us, but I expect they will get them to day.
I hope they will have time to put you some fruit on board to day. The steamer sails to night. Dottie came from Uncle Walter's this forenoon, then he went with me to the Dentist which took 1½ hours. Then after dinner he

went to get a shave and now he has gone out to buy Mr Hoover's rubbers &c. It is 2 o'clock and the train for Wellfleet leaves at 4. So he will have to hurry. I have not seen father since after breakfast. He is very busy to day and probably eat his dinner at the nearest restaurant. I expect Aunt Melissa will call on her way to see Arlie off on the steamer. Aunt Emma is going on this steamer but have not heard whether she is on board yet, or to Uncle Nehemiah's. If I had the time, Mattie & I would go on board the steamer and see them off. It has cleared off very pleasant since I first began this letter, and I rather think I shall go to Wellfleet tonight. I must close now, as I must begin to "pick up" a little. With much love to you, and wishes of all that is good I am, Your Loving Mother.

"Mattie has just been writing to Lulu. As soon as my teeth are all right father & I are going down to stay over night with Mr Ober's family.

With many wishes to see you and trusting you will be kept in good health. Mother

Father thinks you had better send up the House Rent and Hosier that Mrs Bickford brought also the bill of fare by the next steamer. Norton.

Boston, Sept. 19th 1890

My Dear Son Loren.

Father and I are still here at the Quincy House. It was not very good weather last Saturday so I did not go down to Wellfleet as I thought some of doing. Aunt Emma Alice & Delia called here just about the time I was to leave here to get to the Depot in time, also Melissa & Arthur, and in order to go should have had to hurry a great deal, and then if I had gone would have obliged to come up again the following Wednesday to see the Dentist. Nattie & Joshua went down and a letter from Nattie this week said, Rubie got in the cars at South Wellfleet. He went home with Harry (who had come to Wellfleet the day before I suppose to play base ball) and stayed all night and spent Saturday with him.

he said he had a² splendid time.
I enjoyed Aunt Emma's call, am glad she came. Hattie and Cashie had just time to say "how do you do" and "good byE". Little Alice is very pretty and cunning. She gave me a sweet little kiss, and passed me one of her chocolate caramels she was eating. I hope they had a good passage home.
I have been wearing my false teeth ~~two~~ since day before yesterday. He has made me a very nice set, but it seemed the first day I wore them as though I could never get used to them, but I find I am doing better than I thought I should. I went up yesterday and had them altered a little and to day he is to make a little clasp to fit around one of back natural teeth which I think will be an improvement. Father says it is the best set of teeth he ever saw. The Dentist takes a lot of pains to make them fit just right and says we must not pay him until they are in every way satisfactory. From the Dentists yesterday Father and I went to Dr Williams to have our eyes examined so we would know what kind of glass

to buy. He is quite an elderly gentleman but you would have laughed to have heard him joke with us about our eyes, but I think he is a very good occulist. He said I had a pair of very good bright-eyes, but it was time now to wear glasses when I read, or done fine sewing. He said one of my eyes would need some eye water used 3 times a day on account of it occasionally running water. I think I told you about it one day. He said it was caused by getting cold in it some cold winter day when I lived in America. I remember it was one bitter cold day I went to church and that was the first time I ever noticed it. I told him about your eyes and he said he thought the eye water he had prescribed for me would be good for yours. so I am going to bring down enough for us both I think we would be a good one for you to see when you come in. He charged for both of us fifteen dollars in all.

He said father had one very good eye but the other was rather near sighted. He

tried him to a good pair of glasses. He said he had been wearing some rather too strong for him but — said as he could need them.
Father is at the Office this forenoon writing his letter and this afternoon He is going with me to buy the glasses and do some other shopping. He has engaged a hack so I will not need to walk around much. It's a beautiful day to day and I think we will have some nice weather now. We are planning to go to Wellfleet tomorrow night. To morrow at 1 o'clock there is another meeting here at the Quincy House in Parlor E. Father is so relieved now, he looks like another person. Some other good luck has come to him in regard to Florida which he I suppose will write you about. You would like to see the "Olivette" come to Bowden would you? I have heard you often speak of her. Mr Plant is in Boston and has been talking with father, but do not say anything about it until he writes you. I do not know whether it would be well for or not. I am very sorry indeed to hear about Eugene. Father has written him quite a long letter and I think if he can he will leave himself now. But if he is out of

mind, we cannot expect him to act as one that is rational. David has written to father begging him to be patient with him. It is a very sad affair but must make the best of it. Father saw the Doctor of the Insane Asylum where Eugene stayed, and he told Aunt Thatcher ~~said~~ it was nothing at all hereditary but was owing to that leg he had, and he might in time have softening of the brain. I will tell you what he & the Doctor talked about when I see you (it was to make an allowance for Eugene in case at any time he should do anything criminal) It is about time to get ready for dinner now and after I return from shopping will finish my letter. The steamer sails tomorrow father says.

Friday Evening.

Well now I will finish my letter. We went out this afternoon and bought our glasses, and some of our things, but as father had to go to the Office to do some more writing we could not stay long. We called to the Dentist and I think now my teeth are in nice order tell he said after wearing them awhile if they were not just right to come to

him again. I like him very much indeed. He was telling us this afternoon that Dr Williams stood at the head of his profession and whatever he said we could depend upon although he charged quite high. We bought some Christmas presents. I think at Christmas they are valued a little more than at anyother time. don't you? We hav'nt bought our two little centre tables for the drawing room yet. Father said he thought he would get 2 chandeliers for the room also, and in cool wet weather when they were lighted it would do as well as a kerosene stove to warm up the room. I did not think they would warm a room so until we tried them here at the Lumey house. Wont they be nice? We will keep the table we have already in the Veranda. Loren, if you could only be here with us it would be all I would ask, but as it is ordered otherwise, we must think it is all for the best. My sheet is filled and I must close & take good care of yourself. With many longings to see you, I am your loving Mother.

6th 12.6

Give my kind regards to Nurse I am glad to hear such a good report of her. Father is going to try and get a cook to come out for us from America this winter. That will be nice. Mother.

Boston Feb 24th 1880

Quincy House, Thursday afternoon

13.1

My Dear Son

I am afraid I shall only have time to write you a short letter, as father was to send up for it towards evening as the steamer sails in the morning, and just as I took my pen in hand to write you I was interrupted by a call from Mrs Freeman so I must hurry now as fast as possible.

I received your good loving letter of the 15th and was so glad to hear you were still in good health, and that you bore the disappointment so patiently and with so much consideration. That is just like you Lorn. My good noble boy.

I hope when you do come on, you will have such a nice time that it will make it all up.

I notice in your letter 2nd you had heard I was threatened with "Jamaica fever". 13.2
I do not think it was that exactly. I took a sudden cold when I was in Hanslid the doctor said which brought on the trouble, but the doctor soon brought me out of it and I am feeling real smart again.
If I had not gone up to Concord I should not have got sick, but father said "he thought he could take me under his arm and take me about most anywhere with him" but he is just as careful of me now, and does not mean that I shall overdo again.
He is taking the best of care of me, and we are very happy together.
Under the pressure of business father had at that time, I do not think he hardly realized how much I was doing, and when father claimed for me to go with him, I felt so thought I could hardly say no, when this was the first time we have had when we could travel together for so long a time.
I went up with father to the Dentists this forenoon, and I think I will not need to go again. I may possibly need a little

more taken off of one tooth but am to wear them awhile and see. It is five weeks to morrow I think since I first began with them, and I am very glad I have not got them to go over with again. It takes one some time to get used to the new teeth. I have just began to chew a little meat to day. I have been living on soups, Milk, raw Eggs, Oyster Stews and fruit and Bovinine, but I have kept up my strength nicely. The weather is getting cooler now and my appetite is getting better It takes the good cool breezes to sharpen up one's appetite doesnt it?

Joshua, Mattie & Reubie are in Wellfleet, and father and I are going to start for the Cape day after to morrow in the morning train. Mattie writes it is very lonesome in Wellfleet without father & mother there. Abbie & Cora have gone for a short vacation in the City and elsewhere. They went while Mattie was in Boston with us. I am glad to know the furniture arrived all right. We bought some large dessert and teaspoons, heavily plated, that will look

nice a long time with care, the 4th the other day but did not think of the salt-spoons. I am glad you mentioned them in your letter. When we come up to Boston again I shall go out shopping again, and will then buy them with the other things.

Later - Since I have been writing I have had a call from Mr, and Mrs Crocker, and a very strong invitation to go out to their home in Cambridge and make them a visit, but it is quite chilly to night, and I think I had better not run the risk of taking cold again, by sleeping in a strange bed &c so I have persuaded father to go out with them and take supper and return in the evening. Now it is getting cooler, and I think the safest place for me is to stay where I can have a fire when I want it and go just as far as my strength will allow me. father told me he did not think I had better go. I want to get down to see Lulu again before I go, but if I do not, father will

go in my place and stay until after dinner with them. I would liked very much indeed to have had Lulu come down to Wellfleet and visit us this summer, and would have invited her to come, but I will tell you the reason when I see you. However another year if we all live I think it will be very pleasant at our home there. Lizzie sent Mattie another invitation to come and spend a little time with her if she was to be in Boston awhile, and perhaps when she comes up again, she can run down with father. The time is so short now before we will be starting for Jamaica that I want to save my strength so I will feel real strong to take my journey back. Do not worry about me at all Laura because I am really better now than

I was last year, 13.4 and I am careful
not to expose myself to get sick again
I am very glad the fruit arrived in
such good order, and that you enjoyed
it and trust that to come it will
also arrive in nice order for you.
Peaches are very scace this year! They are
only fit to cook, they are so hard
and sour. I have not had a call
yet for this letter, and as father
came in with Mr & Mrs Crocker
and went home with them, I think
he has forgotten to send the var.
for it, but however it will go
by the Steamer Saturday.
I have written quite a long letter after
all hoont I? I will send the
handles for my Cedar Chest by Saturdays
steamer I think. We have concluded to
buy two small centre tables for our large drawing
room, and perhaps we can send them
also. we shall very soon have to do all our
shopping. I shall be so glad to see you
again. Be sure and take good care of yourself
With much love, I am your affectionate Mother

Friday afternoon
Dear Loren

Since writing you we have been out and bought some more things for the house. I would unroll the tablecloths for the two centre tables and put them on the tables and lay a newspaper over them until we get settled. The handles to cedar chest are in the hardware bundles. We are just going to Wellfleet so are in a great hurry.
Dot sends love and will write next mail. I am afraid father will not have time to write this time.

Your loving Mother

Boston
BB

and it seems so [illegible] I can't go
to a week's child in. I do not
know how I can reconcile my
self to it.
I called in to see Mrs Thomas
Kemp, [illegible] time, and
Mrs [illegible] but Mrs Pervere was not at
home. I had a very pleasant
call. Effie & Hattie to take
a sail on the new boat to-morrow
afternoon if it doesn't rain.

Boston
Wednesday

Dear Loren.

The folks have
just gone on board the steamer
and I will send this by
messenger boy as I was so busy
getting them ready. I forgot
my letter. We are all well.
With much love. Mother.

[illegible] 1870
Friday [illegible]

My Dear Son Loren.

We [illegible]
[illegible] and are [illegible] to
leave here for Boston Monday
morning [illegible] for Boston.
Father must come home with
him and come on Friday or Saturday
about the 20th of the month, and be
ready to go with us. I feel so
[illegible] I can't leave home with
the children, but they advise
me to stay and say I can
[illegible] until I return.
I am very sorry indeed it is [illegible]
for I hate to go [illegible]
before he comes home, when he
is needed there so much [illegible]
of Eugene's wild doings.

[illegible]

regard to E—.

[illegible]

and [illegible] and take with them as [illegible] business, also of Eugene. We expect him home [illegible] night.

If Father insists upon our remaining with them, I think I will do so, and if I should, I think

[illegible]

with you. It looks so mile-ous [illegible] of person, and I know you will like her.

I wanted to have Hector with us but father thought he had ought to be in school, and it could not be considered besides.

Grandfather & Grandmother have really gone up their minds to come to Jamaica on Tue.

Grandpa is almost sick with a bad cold. We have all got colds. It is in the city fair is a bad season, and every one gets colds.

I want to get back to Pa again very much!

I have spoken of Little Alice. She is a darling pretty little girl, & would like to have her stay with me a while some time. I think I shall have to get her Papa & Mamma to lend her to me once in a while. She gave me one of her sweet little kisses. Mother.

Boston Oct 11th 1890
Saturday

My Dear Son Loren

As the steamer sails this evening I will write you all a few lines as I know you will be glad to hear from us, and will try and write again just before we leave Boston for Florida.

Well Loren, this is really an unexpected trip that I am anticipating, and it took me some time to make up my mind to go, but as every one (the children and all) advised me so strongly to go, I consented. I think it will be a very pleasant way to take my journey home, and father seems so pleased that I am going, that I am beginning to anticipate it, as I will soon be at home with you all again.

The children & teacher sailed the 8th and it was quite hard to part with them, if father had not been with me, I couldn't

have let them 2nd gone without me.
They went away bright and cheerful knowing that Mother would have such a nice passage home, with only two or three days on the water.
I suppose we will go to Kingston first and will telegraph you soon as we arrive. Father thinks the "Bowden" will have a nice passage down. We have had nice weather since they left.
I received your good letter I left 30th yesterday also one you wrote Mattie, and was very glad to hear from you again. I feel so thankful that you have been kept in good health thus far.
I am glad you enjoyed your trip so well also the mountains and have got rested all right. It must have been quite tiresome. I can imagine how interested Nurse was in hearing you talk of it. I am very glad to hear she is doing so well. I would like to have her younger she would be a valuable person.
Lulu and Mrs. Nora Preston called to see me the night the steamer sailed, had a very pleasant call from them and a strong invitation from Lulu to make them a visit before we left Boston. If I go anywhere at all I shall go there, but I am afraid as I have to be so careful about travelling about, I had ought to save all my strength for my trip home, but father will go and stay until after supper on his way up from Gloucester (next Monday I think he will go) I am real comfortable now but as I overdone and got cold once, I am cautious now not to do it again. I had a letter to you, partly written on Will's fleet which I brought with me to finish in Boston so I could send it to you by Lottie or Dot but as we did not arrive in Boston until the day before they sailed, we had so much to do, that I did not think of it until just after they had gone to the steamer, then I got a messenger boy to take it down, and she had been gone about 15 min so I sent it right away by mail.
They were in a very great hurry. The teacher and her cousin came here to ride down with the children and I had to spend a few moments with them in the Reception room and father hurried Dot away with the two girls to the wharf as they were a little late, so I did not have a chance to kiss Dottie "good bye", so I told father to

tell him I sent it to him and he forgot to tell him that. Father said he went away and left his overcoat in the Office, but he will send it to him on the first steamer going to Port Macant. We shall be sending some more things down on the next steamer. It was rainy all the time most that we were here this time so I could not go out to buy anything more, but will go either today or Monday and buy the provisions, and I think Dottie forgot Bose's Collar. So we will buy that also. Reubie went out, and bought a nice little package of choice canday to eat onboard, after he recovered from his sea sickness, and gave it to me to keep for him, but it was forgotten in the hurry it was too bad, although I think he was just as well off perhaps without it on the steamer. I think we shall find the teacher quite an every day, common sense sort of a person. She is highly recommended by the Prof. of the school I believe she has been to.

I was sorry and so was father that the two girls did not have time to buy themselves any thing in Boston. but the children had so much to do for themselves, every minute was occupied. Sarah wanted to buy herself a new dress, a parasol, hat, and plated Broach.

but all Katie wanted was one of those dolls 16.4
she caught sight of in the shop window on
their way up from the Depot.
I will see what I can buy for them and send
it down on the next steamer coming to Bowden.
I hope you will like the screen I bought you.
I wanted to get one like mine but could not find
the store. I thought I had the address with me.
I have bought the little salt spoons, and they are
very pretty. Have had letter "S" engraved on the handle.
Not one of the packages of spoons which have been
sent to Bowden are two rings, one gold, and one
silver, which went down by mistake. They are
intended for Christmas. So please look out for
them. I have the salt spoons here.
From where our room is, (on the second floor) we
can look right across the street and see Mr John
Hastings at his desk busily writing all day. Father went
to a Temperance meeting last evening and Mrs Hastings
was there. She called in to see me on her way home.
and invited us to come and see her. She is a fine lady.
Mattie & Reubie's proofs have come in, and I am sending
them with the letters to day. I have written on the backs
of 2 of each which father and I think are the best, and
have sent them to you to choose which you think
best. Father & I will have ones taken next Tuesday
I think. We have our suspicions about Dot. He
was out quite late the night we arrived in Boston and
a young lady by name of Cora Higgins is up this
way on a visit, and with what Mattie has told me, I
believe it is true. Well Cora is a nice girl, isn't she? and
Reubie thinks Lulu & Cora are just a nice pair, and so do we all.
I will write a few lines just before we leave Boston
and then I suppose you will hear from us
again until the telegram comes from Hingston.
With much love, and trusting you will be
kept in good health, I am
Your loving Mother.

Boston Oct-16th 1890
Thursday

My Dear Son Loen

Father has decided to day, to go to Florida. As Mr Plant telegraphed that he expected to sail from there to Jamaica about the 20th of Oct, but might be delayed a few days on account of Hascotte repairs, he hardly knew whether to go that way or come direct to Jamaica on the Ethelred which sails this evening, but thinking a man like Mr Plant would not decline time and keep him waiting in Florida when he is so anxious to get home soon as possible, he decided to go. Mr Irish Young has come up from Wellfleet and will take the trip with us. Father thinks a great deal of Mr Young. He does seem to be a very nice man.

Received your good letter by The Ethelred also Bath at Phillips and was very glad indeed to hear from you again.

Dear Husband

My trunk is all ready so I send it right away also the umbrella for Nurse Sarah is sick. I have not my letters ready to send the children but am writing them Samuel & Melissa have just called.

Martha.

P.S. You will be surprised to see the above written on this sheet but father sent up for the trunk and I hastily caught up this sheet as it lay blank side up, and to my surprise found it was your letter on the other side ~~but~~ to save time will not rewrite it as I am pressed for time.

Samuel & Melissa 3d made me quite a long call. They brought a bundle for Artie which I put in the trunk. I have put Dottie's overcoat in it, also and wrapped our clock in it. I took out his knife, tooth brush, bottles &c and wrapped them, separately and put in the trunk but his letters & bills I did not disturb they are in one of the pockets. Puppies collar is there also and Felix Rubie the candy he gave me to keep for him I had added a little more to it and sent it in a box in trunk. Tell Dottie Uncle Wallie was here yesterday and said he had received his letter but no coat as yet. I think he went away in such a hurry he must have taken it to the steamer with him through mistake as every thing went down that was in the room. I suppose the folks have all arrived home by this time safe and sound I trust. How much I would like to see you all. I am glad we are to start in the morning and trust we shall not be delayed in Hadda. I am getting homesick to see my darlings and father too. He thinks we will have a pleasant trip home, and it will be nice to have only two or three days on the water. I was weighed yesterday and weighed 111 lbs. That does very well, doesn't it? I shall have to write a hurried letter this time as we have considerable to do this evening. So I must say good bye for this time. Will write whenever I can get a chance to send a letter. I will write Mattie a few lines but will not have time to write more.

With much love and many longings to see you, I am Your loving Mother

17.4

Give much love to Dob & Rosabel
Enclose key to trunk.

[illegible] Nov 26th 1890

My Dear Son Loren

The "St Boniface" is not coming here this evening as expected but tomorrow instead, however I will make this afternoon, and if I can find time of anything else, will write to you before sending this letter to mail.

We have had a very pleasant visit from your uncle Joshua and wife of Adria Ontario and we [illegible] after breakfast Monday morning. He said the steamer you expected to come did not come in time to go and so the time, You must have been [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Mother.

[illegible] Mother.

P.S. [illegible]

[illegible] that also a slow steamer which I think you meant to have carried.

I am sending Lulu a letter by the "Boniface" and will close.

I do hope that you and father will be kept from sickness. Be very careful and not take cold, and hurry back home with Lulu soon as possible.

Everyone here are well, and we expect to see you soon as they can get a "[illegible]" load ready yesterday. I write a little about it, and [illegible] by. As the [illegible] we have seen it, had [illegible] there. Hoping you will have a very pleasant visit and wishing you all that is good,

I am

Your loving Mother.

[illegible]
other things and thought it might be
all [illegible] put in the [illegible].
Please write and [illegible] whether we have
arrived [illegible] or not.
I suppose you are pretty near Boston
by this time, and are feeling the cold
weather. I trust you will be
brought safely to the journey's end.
and soon be returned to us again.
We miss you very much. [illegible]
[illegible] to be doing well, and takes quite
a care off me by looking after Rubie
while she is at the wharf.
The [illegible] girl arrived on the "[illegible]"
yesterday, and seems a nice capable
girl for one of her age. Mattie &
Rubie are much pleased with her.
Rubie says "she is a daisy," and I must
have her to wait on the table".

I forgot to tell you when I gave you the
broken string to chandelier and that
[illegible] did not understand now
the chandeliers were to go back after
they were [illegible], so it would
be a good idea to inquire where I can
get the springs, and [illegible] must have some
Please see that [illegible] remembers
to get the 2 Plastic centre pieces for
the chandeliers also the white [illegible]
buttons with fixtures, the Head [illegible]
and glass for Cabinet, so he can
bring them with him when he comes
also picture frames, then we can send
for McGann's and have the drawing room
settled right away. Also castors for furniture.
I did not notice Mrs Wilson had
not brought in your pocket handker-
chiefs until after you had gone so
will put them in your trunk and

P.S. Thursday Nov 27th

[illegible]

a letter for you from Lulu, which I [illegible]

Mattie has one also, and says she must read it more if it is her study hour.

Mother.

and having a nice time,
and that I'll write near when
you come, I am
Your loving Sister
Lottie Porter

P.S.
I wrote you and sent
by the "Gordin" and
see if she got it.

P.S. I forgot to mention
some "wooden toothpicks"
in my trial [illegible]

Boston Dec. 11th 1890

My Dear Dora Lorenz

Received
the note enclose from Mr
McFarlan yesterday, and as I
thought Father would be on
his way home if he started
the 18th as he expected, I
would send it to you, and
Mr. Preston would take care
assist you in getting the articles.
I hope they will be [illegible]
satisfactory.
[illegible] I haven't heard a
word from you since you left.
I'd like to know if
the Capt Anderson through Mr
McCallum, what kind of a trip.

he thought you had, as he
at a very [illegible] time, [illegible]
and she said he thought you
had, had as good a passage
as they usually had at this
time of the year.
I received a letter from father
yesterday, saying after the first
two days out, they had a very
rough disagreeable passage!
I shall look for a letter from
you both next week.
Pashie came up last Saturday
night and spent Sunday with
us. We are all well as usual.
Mr Moe Tallum seems to be
attending to his work well, and
seems quite a nice young man.
He is to take Mrs Woodwell out
to ride horseback this evening, and
Rentie. Mattie thinks she had rather

wait until you come, and as she
has a bright cold it is a good
excuse.
Mr Williams is waiting for the
glass for my cabinet before he can
begin on it, so I am in hopes father
will send it the earliest opportunity.
We are having nice cool weather here
now, with occasional showers of rain.
I am really pleased with my Cookie
girl Marie. I have ventured to
almost believe I have found a
treasure. She and Susie agree
first rate also.
Everything is going on all right. I
think at the wharf. I hear Perrin
has been laid up with boils but
Mr. McCallum has at my request
looked after the horses a little
while Perrin is indisposed.
Hoping this will find you well.

Bowden Dec 11th 1890

My Dear Mrs Lane

I am very sorry to be obliged to tell you and Father of Reuben's sad accident - although not dangerous. Poor little Reuben, has at last copyrighted my story, and got "the undertaker" I have written Father the particulars and as I will not have time to write them again you can read this letter, which will do as well. My health is getting good, very good for me, and we are all getting along nicely. Eva [illegible]

Do not let this make any difference in regard to the journey to see us, for Rachel wants to hear from you very much and I will be very glad to see her. I am good deal more and am getting along nicely.

Please send the glass to my brother-in-law as conveniently as Williams will not begin until we have the glass.

We are having very pleasant weather now the rainy season is over. Every thing is doing well at home. I suppose the folks at the wharf will write you the news there. I hope they have nothing unpleasant to write.

With much love and hoping soon to see you and mine I am

your loving brother.

Glad to know you had a pleasant passage ah.

Excuse haste.

Sorry will do with as [illegible]

I have received letter [illegible] I [illegible] Rachel [illegible] Love to the [illegible]

Bowden Dec 17th 1890

My Dear Son Laurence

I am so thankful to be able to write you the good news that Dad Father is quite comfortable. The Doctor says the leg is doing splendidly. He has suffered very much but is quite free from pain now and rests well in daylight. It will be very lonely for him if Dad will do long enough I think he is going to recover slowly. I think Father is learning where in trouble he ask the Saviour to help him, now little realizing how we are offering so much for him.

much worse than it was but went away feeling much better trusting your dear life may be kept in good health, and that we shall soon see you I am your loving Mother.

P.S. Have sent Father a bundle of Bermuda papers with this letter. Eng Bowden.

P.S. I believe I forgot to tell you Father how my health was I have written in such a hurry. I am getting along nicely, I always have strength given me in these times.

Mother.

boy. I hope you will not
allow it to be here if he is
in the path of his same the evil
then, I told them we must ask
God to help him here this morn
and he prayed with all fervour.
I assure you, and Patrick Mather
prayed too.
His knee troubled him besides
the broken bone as it was the
same leg that was kicked in
the Spring but I think by
having the leg declared for
a broken bone the knee will
be remedied also.
I was very glad to receive your
letter, and to know you was
well, and enjoying yourself
so well. also to hear that Lulu
was planning to come home
with you. Rentie is much
troubled to know the time
of coming, and the seat also.
Everything is going on well at
home. Mr McLaren seems
very attentive to his business and
looking out for the horses and
sheep. He has four dogs here
now now two and Bob, two
"outer and Shel-" but we
put them in the outer Veranda
at night so they will not bark
and keep Bobbie awake.
Joshua was here and spent
Sunday and will come again
next Monday. He was much
worried about Rentie before he
arrived. people made to out-do

22.12

Bowden Dec 23d 1880

My Dear Son Lewis

As the "Ethelred" is expected in Port-Antonio the first of this week I will write a few lines and send to Elisha to be forwarded to you, because I know you will be anxious to hear from us.

I am very glad to say the Doctor has been in to day and examined Rubie's leg, and says the bone is knit together and now all it needs is to be strengthened, and it will soon be very quick.

We are getting ready to celebrate "Christmas", so I am very busy now. Rubie is reckoning a great-deal about it [illegible]

bed. Father bought him a book chest in Boston while we were there and a little sister and baby. We shall miss you and father very much it is the first time you have ever been absent but we hope it will be a very happy one to you, with the one you love so well.

Mattie has begun a letter to Willie but Bertie needs a lot of attention so she has spent her time since vacation trying to amuse him. She will soon finish and send it.

I received yesterday the oilcloth curtains drawer handles, and blind fixtures but have not heard whether anything more has come or not. I suppose the blinds are somewhere as the fixtures have come, but perhaps they have not been sent up yet.

Father boarding is an hour away and my time is quite occupied so will not write more this time. Everything is going on all right at home, as far as I can see. Hoping soon to see you and wishing you all that is good, I am

Your loving

Mother.

Bertie and Mattie send love.

P.S. I have not received Julia's letter yet but am still expecting her here to visit us this winter.

We are all well.

23.1

Monday Barbados March 2nd
Lotteh 91
S.S. Eden

My Dear Son

I have time this morning to drop you a note tell you I am well & Capt Young seems to enjoy his trip so far very much, I did not write you from Kingston in reference to conference with Mr Davis the result was that we have concluded to wait our entire 1st day next - before taking over the tobacco plant as we must immediately it will be hard - of course before we can get it planted but we consider the risks we run by doing so outweigh the risks we may run by the delay. [illegible] one of the other [illegible] but to be [illegible] he seems [illegible] to be some control of Pera if so let him keep it down - in any way not Pera [illegible] it

[illegible] with you about
the [illegible] will be done
in the [illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] is
not [illegible] if you [illegible]
[illegible] to do the
see it for perhaps it can be [illegible]
[illegible] they [illegible]
until it comes into our hands.
I do not think we will do much
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the governor has
expense for us, we will go [illegible]
on getting to Jamaica by the "Earl"
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] I can tell you [illegible]
[illegible] in the [illegible]
[illegible] know the [illegible]

[illegible] I hope you did not forget them.
I think Loren if you could [illegible] about 2 dozen bottles of the "Sarsaparilla" [illegible] it would do me a lot of good. I [illegible] me to take "Hood's Sarsaparilla" but I think the other is better. [illegible] how it is made but I know your time is short.

[illegible] 3d 1893

My Dear Son Loren

I am very glad to say that Mattie is much better this [illegible] about a week ago [illegible] I think [illegible] good [illegible] so sick up most of [illegible] with us, [illegible] very much. She has promised [illegible] cherries she

[illegible]

George got his sail
ready to go fishing this afte
[illegible] so he had it
just here, al.

It looks very as though we
were going to have another
rainy week. I hope it will
be pleasanter in Boston and
it is not here. Everyone
praises your work [illegible]
I go [illegible] very much, and
thinks you ought not to be doing
this. Take a week out of your
vacation to do the work.
She hopes to see you when you
come down to Millbrook again.
I showed Mrs Tuttle the letter
which she was much interested
in.

Tuttie has gone up this evening
to have some photographs taken
of him to be used as a model
for Arthur Hamilton's bust. I am
afraid it will be a painful
thing to him while [illegible] now
so Tuttie can't sit the letter in
the office [illegible] on the gas
bracket, as he would probably be
very busy tomorrow.

I have heard nothing as yet from
Fannie Hall and her husband
in regard to the boat-sail
they were planning. They are
intending to make it Saturday.
Hoping you will have a very
pleasant week in Boston, and
with love to you and Lulie
[illegible]
family, I am

[illegible]

Wellfleet July 5th 1823

My dear Love Loren
I forgot to mention to you
yesterday when I sent you the
[illegible] in my steamer trunk, that
I wish you would bring me
a Bath Shongl, when you come
[illegible]
We are all getting along nicely
[illegible]
[illegible] today.
[illegible]
[illegible] day [illegible] has
a slight sore Throat.
Uncle Samuel, wife [illegible]

Eddie Baker's young lady was in church Sunday, Mattie said.

Grandma came in to see us in a canal and is a dale of company to us.

Willie Price and his Mother are visiting at Cold Springs. I like my new oil stove very much now I understand it thoroughly. Reubie and Arthur Price went fishing yesterday morning but only got a few clams. He said he had a splendid time. He goes in swimming twice a day. I think he will be quite an expert swimmer at the end of his vacation. It is Friday afternoon and as I have had nothing from Mr Snell I will write him this evening in regard to the boys I have been expecting. I may

Hellfield July 21st 1893
Friday.

My dear Son Lou

I suppose you are almost in Jamaica by this time. I have thought of you very often, and hoped that you might have a safe and pleasant passage back. You cannot tell how we miss you. Aunt Annie and everybody else knew you missed you, and was sorry to have you go.

Mattie has been quite busy this week with the "Epworth League Convention" that is, getting ready & entertaining the delegates to make, and playing on the church organ at every meeting for them and to

Dear Lou
I received your letter and was glad to hear from you. I was sorry you had to leave so soon. I hope you will be able to come next time. Please remember me kindly to Irene and tell her to be sure and take good care of my boy. I wish you could come home. I miss you very much.
Your loving Mother
Mattie

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other girls to sing by, and last-
[illegible] Reception, so she has been quite busy
[illegible]
[illegible]
received your two letters from Boston
before you sailed, and was very
glad to hear from you. Hattie
has received the hard you sent her
and is much pleased with it, and
thinks the same. I forgot to ask
you what now in your name to
[illegible] for me in Boston.
I did not go to the theatrical
and [illegible] as I was so tired I to
[illegible] the play I would [illegible] so
nice. Hattie thinks, and Annie and
[illegible] went. Everything went
off very nicely they said.
Hattie will write you the [illegible]

when she writes.
[illegible] Richards and wife called on
to see us yesterday and her little boy.
[illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] and
[illegible] the other
day. I had a pleasant call from
[illegible] and the little [illegible]
week. I'd give you a more [illegible]
but I have not with me [illegible]
[illegible] & finish as be-
fore I [illegible].
I wonder we was not there to the theatrical
reception but perhaps it was unavoidable
We are all very glad to hear that
[illegible] anticipate coming to see us
a week in August. Hattie boy and
[illegible] as we can for
[illegible] Hattie and Annie seems
pleased that she is coming.

Recd Aug 6. 93

Wellfleet - July 27th 1893

My dear Son Loren

Uncle Elisha was in to day and said he was to take the noon [illegible] Boston and the steamer for

I know father will spare Joshua if he can. We are [illegible] well. I have had a little ill turn, but am better now and am taking the best of care of myself.
We are all getting along well together. Aunt Annie and I are understanding each other better as time passes on. Hattie is the [illegible] but I know [illegible] the rest of us.
I hope soon to hear that you have had a nice passage home, and [illegible]
[illegible] nothing happens to prevent, and we shall make the [illegible] I will [illegible] a longer one next time.
Cheque of $50. received all [illegible].

With much love, and many wishes to see you, I am

Your loving
Mother.

P.S.

Rosa and Martha are well and doing finitale. Remember me to Nurse and the folks.

Mother.

Ans'd
Aug 13

Nickel Mt. Aug 21st - 93

My dear Son Louis

I send you a few lines to let you know I have been making arrangements for Lizzie to be expected with Tomorrow morning.

I have gained considerable strength since I last wrote you, and we are all well - all the girls at home and in Philipsburg, and Carl - but not Carl "good faithful old Carl" Rustie has gone down to the Picnic at the Point; and we just have been down, but not in time to see you about it. It is the Grand Lodge's Picnic, so the dirt not - so we are invited to stay at home and keep

Mother, dear girl.
I will write again Friday, and I
hope I shall be able to write you quite a long letter and
tell you some news.
I must write a few lines to
Joshua now and then it will be
time for the letters to go to the
Office. I wrote Father last Friday,
so it is Joshua's turn this time.
With much love and
trusting you are in good health.
I am
Your loving
Mother.

P.S. We have not heard
from you since you left
Boston, and are anxiously
waiting to hear from you.
My dear good boy, and treasure.

Mother.

Mr. Lou and Rachel had a game of tennis in the afternoon, Effie played a[illegible] and she with Lou, Lulu and Charlie played a game out of the [illegible] to see the [illegible]. In the evening Lulu & Kathie were to call and see Grandpa & Grandma, Aunt Minnie and Aunt Allie Baker, but they went to Grandma's first and Grandmother commenced to talk about Uncle John and after this so they did not get to the [illegible] that evening. The next day (yesterday) they played tennis a little while and rested on the lawn, except a little walk they took to the tennis courts and in the afternoon Kathie returned Effie's compliment by inviting she and Lou to have a sail. Rachel told them he could take them out just as well as anyone, but the girls wouldn't trust him, so Rachel hired the "Lily" Higgins to take them down the Bay, and they had a delightful sail. Rachel & Charlie Robinson went with them. Lulu seemed to have enjoyed the sail very much and the ride too, the day before.

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Port Morant, Ja.
Aug 4 1893

My dear Cousin Laura

I was so glad to receive your welcome letter, and to know you had such a pleasant passage home, and were in good health also found Father did too when he got home. It was very [illegible] news to us all. I think if he mistake relative you would have just missed a very gale at least a hurricane. I was so glad you were able to spend the time you did in Philadelphia Father writes he was very glad to find you looking so well.

I am sorry I could not keep up my own good record of good health. I was getting in fine

with equal ease was regaining health, when for some wise purpose without doubt, I was brought back a little, that I may learn to use a little more patience, and wisdom, and grace. Well it is all right, and I think the past ten days, I have learned to have more, and to keep the ambition of mine within control — to adapt it to the strength of body I have to carry it with. I am gaining a little every day and shall go down stairs in a day or two. Everything is being done for me that can be done. My cough is very much better and every symptom good. So I have everything to encourage me. only I must be careful as the Doctor in Boston told me last year, and I think I know what it means now. I did not realize the risk I was running before, with my hard cough and not being very strong to. All the rest of the family and folks are well. Hattie has a little cough & yet but is taking medicine for it and will soon be well as ever.

Lucie came to visit us this week Tuesday, and we are all enjoying her visit very much indeed. She came on the Moonlight. Hattie & Fannie met her at the Depot. We have had beautiful weather every day she has been here so far. She was quite tired when she arrived, so that afternoon she and Hattie laid down and had a good nap. In the evening they went up to the Tuesday evening Prayer Meeting which was led by Uncle Nehemiah. They had a very nice meeting and they met Aunt Fannie Abbie & Cora and others. The girls came home with them and stayed a little while in the evening. The next ~~afternoon~~ forenoon

only the 4th of August now, and perhaps by the time we need it I will be a great deal stronger. I feel some now as though if Anna could only meet us in Boston by the 27th or 28th of August it would be a blessing. I shall have to cannot leave until the 5th of Sept. and perhaps later. I have decided not to go to school with Mattie & Louie when they go. I am hardly able to, but when father comes we can go up and stay two or three days and the children can come down to Boston and see us. So I think I had better remain in Wellfleet until father comes. We are very fortunate in finding such a good dressmaker here and will be able to get about all of our work done here. It is true she makes mistakes, but she is so willing to rectify them and this so hard to please us, we cannot get out of patience with her. The coloured girls and Spot are doing well. I do not mean to class them together but it looks as though I had. Fanny's eyes have troubled her some but are better now. She took a little cold in them. I hope you found Nurse and the others well and all the Feb. and that you are not too lonely at Bowden all alone, but the time will soon pass when we will if the good Master permits meet again.

Later. 10 min. past 7. The Clam Bake

In the evening they were invited over to spend the evening to Cousin Abbie Higgins and they spent a very pleasant evening. They had Mattie said "two kinds of ice cream and two kinds of cake passed around".

Charlie Collins was there that evening to have got acquainted with him.

To day they have all been invited to a "Clam Bake" down to the "Point". It was got up by Willie Oliver Higgins, so they left this morning at half past six, Abbie Cora, Louie Mattie, Louie and Charlie Rodman (Rufus's Chum) and expected to return at six this evening. It is a most charming day. Addison Baker, Nora Nott and others I believe were going about thirty in all. Mattie had planned to take Louie down in the "Neck" to day to see our little home there, where all the children were born and Louie seemed to anticipate going

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They were also going when Taylors to see the cottages and around the seashore, and when the invitation came to go to the "Clam Bake" they changed their plans. Sarah thinks she cannot be ready [illegible] so easily as she is using quite quite a number of cottages and she has spent most of her time now, but we shall persuade her to remain over Sunday if possible. She thinks we have a real pleasant place here, and she thinks Aunt Annie is lovely. I am so glad. Well Aunt Annie knows how to be real nice. I was afraid she would not like Grandmother, but she does. Mattie said she patted her on the back and called her a little darling." I am really pleased to know everyone has been so kind to her, and tried to make her visit pleasant.

Later - I have eaten my dinner and had my nap and now I will finish my letter. It is about 4 o'clock and is clouding up a little, but they will soon be here now. I should not wonder then by tomorrow we may have rain. I have not been quite since just before she went over to spend the evening with the girls, as I was quite late when she got back, and went away this morning before I was up so I do not know how she liked Mr Higgins and the girls but I am sure she likes them. She only spoke of Aunt Annie and Grandma in my presence. Mattie will probably write and tell you all about her visit better than I can. I am very glad to hear there is a possibility of Prudina coming down with Eliza in [illegible]. If she could be here only two or three days before the children go to school it would do us a lot of good, but if it cannot be so we will do the best we can. Perhaps my next letter will tell me whether he can or not. Rubie wants his teeth attended to, and to buy a few things also. Mattie and I do not like to have them going about in the city alone very much to stay over night, and I do not feel now as though I could go with them, still it is

Wellfleet- Aug 7th 1893.

My dear Son Loren

I have just received your good letter from "Bowden" by the "Bernard", and am glad indeed to hear you are well and that you found every thing all right at home and Nurse "holding the fort" "with her old time interest": I can imagine it all. I am very glad you have not been all alone a part of the time so far, and I hope, somebody will happen in after to keep you company until it is time to leave for Oneida again. Dear Loren, good brothers & sisters are truly a great blessing and I am so glad it was not the unfortunate Mother to have [illegible]

I have written Mrs Robbins and acknowledged the receipt of the letter.

P.S. Aunt Martha wishes me to send a little more "good stuff" to Loren.

I believe I mentioned in my letter of 11th inst. I would [illegible]

[illegible] Time.

[illegible] Mrs Sandikin beat Reubie days. Some one had to row off in a boat and anchor near the "Buoy" so the boats could sail around it, and no one was willing to go, but Reubie and his Chum Charlie Ford Jr. and somehow Charlie accidentally knocked off Reubie's hat in the water so he came home without a hat. He said it was a tough old boat and he would never go out in that one again. I am sorry Reubie does not write home oftener. He seems to think, now it is vacation he cannot spare a moment, and Mother and Martha can do all the writing, so it is not necessary for him to write. We are hoping Joshua will soon be coming now, but I think I will write him regularly as usual until I am sure when he will leave, and if he should be gone when the letter arrives, father can open it if he wishes. We have had a bunch of Bananas come I think every week since you have been gone, and I suppose it is because you left word to Mr Breton to send them. They are a real treat to us and to those we give to. Martha Mullin wishes me to send "plenty of howdy" to her Mother & brother and all her family and to tell them she is quite well at present. She has not taken a cold since she has been here. Both of the girls are doing well. I must say Good Night now and write to Joshua. With much love and trusting this epistle find you well and bright and cheerful, I am, Your loving Mother

and how wonderfully blessed I am to have such good children, and have them all live so long.
I think that is a good idea about taking the "in" [illegible] while you are there. It does not seem to me it would be quite as lonely, as in the large house. Tell Nurse she must be sure and take the best of care of you, and I will reward her when I get home. Tell Jennie I have bought Mattie's picture she has wanted so long in my box, all ready to give her. I am sorry I forgot to send it by you.
I am feeling more like myself to-day than when I wrote you last Friday, and I think with the good care I am taking of myself I shall soon be considerable better still. Mattie & Jennie are well, and all the rest of the folks.

We could not persuade Jennie to remain with us longer than Saturday morning as she said her school began the following Monday ~~morning~~ morning, so she took the early train Saturday morning. We had much cooler weather every day she was here while the children were in the depot, it was quite a change. Jennie went over and engaged the hotel team to take her to the Depot, and Ida and Mattie went with her, and the team has got them home as it still rained. Uncle Elisha was fortunate in finding the book I wanted to give her all about Hartington or rather Hartington and to ~~Sioux~~ look for them and by that means the let one have them at half price, so they came in time to give one to read while going home. She seemed much pleased with it, and I think she went home feel-

Wellfleet Aug 10th 1893

My dear Son Loren

I received a letter from father yesterday saying that Joshua was thinking of leaving on the "Bowden" and would be with us next Monday night. I assure you Loren that was good news. I want to see him, and besides I need his help now as I am getting over an ill turn I have had. I went down stairs yesterday and took a walk on the piazza. My cough is considerable better now, and I am gaining my strength quite fast.

Hattie and Ruthie are well, and went to Provincetown this afternoon

in to give a lecture on the "Holy Land" and Aunt Hannah is to sing and does it in Chinese costume &c &c. Joshua may be here in time to attend it. with Mattie & Ruthie. Dear Old Grandpa is well as usual and comes in to see me every day. He came in this morning and brought me a plate of nice Peaches. I do not know where he got them. They are the first I have seen this year. How much we would miss him if he were not here. Aunt Sarah Hopkins is very sick with bowel complaint. I trust it will not end seriously. We are having this week weather which is over 80 in the rooms, and 90 out of doors. So it warm enough for me now. I would like for it to keep so a month or two if for the heat. Tell Nurse I hope she is well and getting along well with the cook &c. Remember me kindly to her, and with much love to you and many longings to see you. I am, Your loving

Mother

[illegible] letters, Mattie received a letter yesterday from one of her schoolmates asking for the [illegible] photo. We are all getting along well together. The girls are doing well. Opal is still keeping in good name. And we are receiving machine attached to [illegible].

[illegible] was well. I went [illegible] to town yesterday, and enjoyed it very much. We are used it and enjoyed it too. How nice to have the telephone so you can talk with Father & Dal to Pittsburg. It will seem as though they are a great deal nearer now. I'm so glad! you can have it there now while you are alone. We are reckoning very much upon your coming out again. Mattie has just received a letter from Ruth saying she would come all right without getting wet at all, and "she had such a nice time with us" she wrote. I was not able to come out of my room for fear of the cold again while she was here, but the next Tuesday (day before yesterday) I came down stairs for the first time in two weeks, but she came in my room after to see me. Mattie is busy with the dressmaker and is getting along quite well with her work.

Ike and Rubie are reckoning very much upon Joshua coming. There is to be a Sabbath School Picnic next Thursday and one day next week Uncle Nehemiah and Aunt Fannie, are to give out of our entertainment in the Church. Uncle

father a short letter this time.
To-morrow she will be gone.
Aunt Sarah Hopkins has been very
[illegible] I think it more comfortable to stay
past church time. Brandon went
huckleberrying a day and picked
five quarts. I think he is getting
his mind altogether. He thinks
he had better not try it again, though
and huckleberries this week are
by no a quarter. He said he
thought he should go down
and see what they were doing.
Shot is quite tolerable now. Jerusha
has gone. They seem to be watching
to might get him to come. We
all miss him too. It seems to
me I could hardly content myself
here without one of the children
with me. I am looking some for
letters to-night, but I'm so afraid
them battle will bring them when
the post my letters this evening.
Hoping and trusting they will find

[illegible] young and
stay overnight, or to Beverly
Farms. [illegible] had a letter
[illegible] of Joshua's arrival, so the
Ostiarnel [illegible]
[illegible] he waited to [illegible] me
the "Ethelwold" [illegible]
There is to be a "Sabbath School
Picnic" up to the Woods Wednesday
[illegible] the ministers wife and [illegible]
[illegible] & Tom [illegible]
a strong inclination to go, and
I think we will. Uncle Nehe-
miah is to give a lecture in
[illegible] Tuesday
day, Aunt [illegible] is to [illegible]
some good hymns in the
[illegible] house. Julie is to
sing, and Mattie is [illegible] I am
accompanment on the Church Organ
and there is to be an exhibition
of the presents which Elma [illegible]
[illegible]
are well worth seeing. [illegible]
[illegible]
to see the last [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] a short time
about taking care of myself.
Mattie laid her plans after
[illegible]
Photographic [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] but are [illegible]
[illegible]
are will [illegible] have [illegible] to make

[illegible] has been having quite a bad cough he says, and has just recovered from it. [illegible] came down with Dol. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Dol came [illegible]

[illegible] Lizzie's [illegible] not coming [illegible] Mr. [illegible]'s entertainment [illegible] Dol came. he made [illegible] to come, and afterwards [illegible] to [illegible] the most with [illegible] You do not [illegible] he [illegible] made Dol think [illegible] going [illegible] to you? I think [illegible]

read
Aug 31.

[illegible] 1875

My dear [illegible]

[illegible] last evening, and [illegible] you [illegible] better. [illegible] careful [illegible] do not [illegible] it a business as Charlie [illegible] does

to get rid of it at once.
Once N— and some annie's entertainment we have written you of came off last evening. Mattie waited for Emma and Dot to come on the train, and then went right up with them to the Vestry.
Mattie was in time to [illegible]

good. This afternoon Mattie had a game of tennis, this evening Mattie has com[illegible] it. They invited me [illegible] Joshua urged her to go so [illegible] Joshua had his letters to write home this evening, [illegible] with her this time. [illegible]

[illegible] so long, or they will need to shorten. I am [illegible] in room so I can be writing until [illegible] I thought [illegible] in my room. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] too ([illegible] she can do, mine when Mattis is married). I do not think [illegible] poshua is here, it will be in the least necessary for me to go to [illegible] until [illegible]

as there may be some risk in taking
old and overdoing. Mattie has
[illegible]
while when he comes.
Lottie was glad enough to see
Dot. and I think Dot was to
see him. he says he [illegible]
in fine order.
Grandpa, and everybody is well.
The girls are well, and are
[illegible]
While Joshua is in Boston [illegible]
Mattie and Rubie, the [illegible]
will come here at the house and
do what work I will need to
have done. It seems as though she
had been raised up for me
providentially. Well it [illegible]
late Loren, and I suppose [illegible]
close, for this time, so I [illegible]

[illegible] much I reckon upon seeing you and father again. I trust you will still be kept in good health, and that it will be as [illegible] as possible when you will be able to meet us again.

With much love
I am
Your loving Father

Give kind regards to Dave and Alice.

Answ'd Sept 11 '93

Hillguard Aug 21st 1893

My dear Son Loren

I have just been writing to Pa'en, and I will now write you just a few lines this time to let you know that Pa'en still grows a little. Cough is better and there is improving. Pa'ma is said to much better and we are keeping him under "strict orders" until he is entirely well of it. I do not like to see common colds now for sometimes if not taken care of amount to something serious. [illegible] We have dressmaking business [illegible] this week under full steam!
I could not do [illegible]

[illegible] a little frame,
[illegible] the
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible], and want
[illegible] as
the thought [illegible] would be a good
[illegible] to do. Marie takes breakfast-
[illegible] her [illegible] evening, and
[illegible] stays in bathing room.
We moved the lesson and sink
away, so it makes a nice wash room
and [illegible] now [illegible] do [illegible]
can keep time and [illegible] with me
and we are getting along splendidly.
They go home at night. So [illegible]
[illegible] to get the dinner and suppe
with the girls help.
We are having to day a real bad
storm. It begins August twelfth
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] have [illegible]

[illegible] and
[illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] and
[illegible] which before [illegible] there.
[illegible] perhaps [illegible] may be
the one with which [illegible] like
[illegible]. Marie Richard came down on
the evening train [illegible] you of
[illegible]
is and [illegible] birthday. He seems to
be enjoying [illegible] visit.
[illegible] evening to Uncle Joe's and
[illegible] with Annie, and Hattie
went on the evening. [illegible]
we [illegible] nice weather again. The
wind was changed to the N. West.
He is planning one day this week to
take a sail with the children. Hattie
has been a real pleasant time
with Annie & Hattie & Frank have
no [illegible] Westfield [illegible]

you were still in, and in the
morning I will tell good
news to, and with a very
language I pick you, I am

Your loving
Father.

P.S. Give the girls
the money to share
and the promise by Katie,
for a new hat or collars this week.

Received
Sept 11
1893

Hartford Aug 28th 1893
Monday Eve

My dear Son Loren
I have been rather busy to-day
reading Rubie's packet, and
writing a letter to Alexander and
reading the packet - to him to be
changed, so Rubie can wear it -
to school and looking up
the things Mattie & Rubie kept
this morning (as they started
with Dolson the agent here
for Boston) so we rushed on
dinner - late - it has made the
day short. so I am sorry to say,
we may write you & father
short - this time, but will
make it up the first chance.

Joshua will go up with them
[illegible] to Wellfleet Wednesday
night. I assure you Lorin il-
[illegible] is good-natured, and we are reckoning very much
upon all meeting again if the
good weather tempts us to Boston
~~again soon~~. We finished all
Mattie's work we had planned
to do, and we are both very much
pleased with the dressmaker's
work. I am glad to say I
am still improving a little, and
I bid fair to be quite well by
the time you and Father are here
in Boston. Joshua has entirely
recovered from his cold, it was
quite a bad one too.
I was very glad to receive your
good letter of the 13th and to know

Wellfleet- Sept- 1st- 1893

My dear Son Loren

Your good welcome letter of the 20th Aug received, and it was very glad indeed to hear that you were well and seemed bright and cheerful, but we are sorry to learn of Father's illness. It was really in hopes he would escape having a return of that old pain again and thought he would he has seemed all along so bright and well. But we are glad to hear by the papers that the Dakota crop has been saved and that the Dakotas have been saved from the worst of the storm.

answered about a week ago, of course I should take care of myself. I wish I could have seen the nurse I was first taken sick. She had come to the door but I was in bed and hurried home told by I could not see anyone. But if we had let her in it would have been a very great comfort and blessing. But we were not acquainted with her, then I do not see how I could do otherwise. Dear boy Hall "is one of the best." Emma is well and she has as we can expect when dear father is ill. But we all longing to hear he is better and if we could only come home and trust in him. He will do all things well. Emma went with Mattie and Frank as I wrote you in my last letter on Monday morning and Tuesday morning she called on Mrs Chapman and the first 2 counts in her back teeth and cleaned them nicely and she liked this work very much indeed.

I am very glad that we did not go
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] road [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] I was thinking of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] that he was improving.
Beside the [illegible] Dr. [illegible]
and so [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] at once.
My own health is [illegible] improving
I [illegible] [illegible] yesterday [illegible] walked
round the yard and felt quite
strong. To day the wind is [illegible]
so I thought it would be [illegible]
well to stay in doors.
Dr. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] wife called to see me,
and [illegible] [illegible] me [illegible] a [illegible].
[illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] woman. I am
[illegible] in love with her, and wish

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible],
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]
with [illegible]. And [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I asked [illegible]
she [illegible] to be so [illegible] at that
time, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
it [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
Dr. [illegible] is a very [illegible]
Doctor, but I was not [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in my
case, as I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for it. I think [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to know
how you [illegible] to go.
She is quite [illegible] Doctor and I
really [illegible] she [illegible] my
case better than the Doctor, and
[illegible] me I had nothing to be

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and she thought she was holding
on to her Diploma [illegible]
[illegible] again when I came.
I am [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] the
[illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I may
[illegible] will be quite a miss [illegible] old
Mother [illegible]. Aunt [illegible] [illegible]
I am glad to say is very much better
and will soon be about again.
[illegible]. [illegible] was so glad to see
[illegible] come down again. [illegible]
[illegible] takes a lots of comfort with
[illegible]. It seems to me he grows
intelligent. [illegible] & [illegible]
Aunt [illegible] and all the folks
are well. Arthur [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]. Uncle [illegible] thought
coming [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] school [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible]
around with. Uncle Nehemiah
[illegible]

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"World's Fair." [illegible] [illegible]
his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] a [illegible]. [illegible]
told Bertie the other day that
she was engaged to [illegible].
But do not mention it as it is a
secret I believe. I do not know
whether Abbie is engaged to
[illegible] Wiley or not. He was down
[illegible] few days. I had quite a
number of [illegible] this week.
Aunt [illegible] [illegible] and her
daughter (Miss [illegible]), [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible]
and [illegible] Nehemiah's [illegible].
(Uncle Nehemiah's widow), also
Miss Young of [illegible]. [illegible]
still [illegible] his meals every day. [illegible]
and Grandmother [illegible]
[illegible] this week. [illegible] Uncle
Nehemiah's family [illegible]
in this week [illegible] [illegible].
We [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] for Father! You [illegible] night and [illegible] to [illegible] Father and [illegible] to get [illegible] night; I [illegible] Father [illegible] I believe [illegible] sick, and she did not [illegible] much of her [illegible]. Everyone was [illegible] Mattie in Hartford [illegible] to four miles in Stockbridge [illegible]. Father [illegible] pretty [illegible] she [illegible]. O is well [illegible] to hear from Mattie. He is [illegible] very well at present. We have not been to the last [illegible] of Mattie's letters she had taken in Stockbridge [illegible] them [illegible] with [illegible] which are [illegible] as he did not try hard enough. He [illegible] better than Mattie. She does tidy-ish [illegible] something

[illegible] Father! [illegible] night and [illegible] Mattie and [illegible] to get [illegible] night; I [illegible] Father [illegible] I believe [illegible] sick, and she did not [illegible] much of her [illegible]. Everyone was [illegible] Mattie in Hartford [illegible] to four miles in Stockbridge [illegible]. Father [illegible] pretty [illegible] she [illegible]. O is well [illegible] to hear from Mattie. He is [illegible] very well at present. We have not been to the last [illegible] of Mattie's letters she had taken in Stockbridge [illegible] them [illegible] with [illegible] which are [illegible] as he did not try hard enough. He [illegible] better than Mattie. She does tidy-ish [illegible] something

[illegible] and [illegible] to see you [illegible]

[illegible]

Your affectionate
Mother.

visiting at and has this week.
Little Paul went out with Lol-
and took a sail one day, which
he seemed to enjoy very much.
He had a lot of questions to
ask. I received a letter from
Nathie and Pauline last week
after they had got settled in
school, and they seem to be
getting along nicely. They have
not had time to write me
any, or but a few particulars
yet, as it is quite a long time
in the beginning. My health
is steadily gaining every day a
little. My cough is considerable
better and so is my general
health. Mrs Hall tells me she
thinks I will be better than
I was before I had my ill
turn. and surely I am improving
in a way that gives one much
encouragement. I am making it-

Wellfleet - Sept - 4th 1893
Monday

My dear Son Loren
You may forget to get me some
better baker when he was to
the store Saturday, and he went
to Boston early this morning
I shall have to make out
with some bake I found
in father's old library which
I took out begin it was carried
down to the house. I think I
must have taken it out for
this purpose as this is all
I have except a sheet of common
letter paper and a few of this
kind. I have just been writing
to father, and I like and
trust he is much better by
this time. Mrs Griffin thought
to write to the Jamaica
has arrived safe to Jamaica
and that father was improving

much I suppose he must have it. Thinking there might be news heard both by Carrie. We were from father, but there was none very glad to hear that. It I wish she could have sailed this must be very hard for father Monday afternoon, then Pashua to be sick just now, and you would have been there to send must be having a very anxious time, things to you and father time down. I am so sorry, but but if the "Ethelwold" sails we must try and look up on Wednesday he will be there. I these afflictions as coming from look for Pashua down about Wed One who doth not afflict as nesday night. Mr Sawyer I willingly for our good. I would believe gave him an invitation give a great deal to be able to to go on the 1 o'clock train today to be there and take care of him the Agricultural Fair which is but as I cannot, I can only held in Lewiston Maine, to trust him in the hands of Pashua at last concluded to a loving Father, knowing that go. I am sure Jim too, as he he can, and will do all things missed it last year, and I well. A letter from Capt know he would enjoy going Young came to Pashua this, not very much. I hear Uncle speaking of the "E of Jamaica" Nathaniel and Richard will and that the Bowden was expected return from the "World's Fair" thus day (Sept 2nd) and would not Saturday. Aunt Fannie sail Sunday afternoon. I opened and the children have been

me, if he can't wait- if not- I will give him the letters to carry to the Office and will wait until to-morrow morning, then Grandpa will get them, but I shall beg him pretty hard to wait for my letters. I have an idea he is timid about being out late but perhaps not. Be sure Loren and take as good care of your health as you can and with much love, and many longings to see you I am

Your loving Mother

P.S. I haven't written Lulu since she was here I have been so busy but intend to now, as soon as Joshua brings me my letter paper.

Later. It is getting late and Henry has not yet come for my letters, so I think I will seal them and give them to Aunt Annie to take up as she has kindly offered to and she will bring back any that I may have come on the evening train,

but I cannot answer any questions but, if there are important ones I will send letter on Monday's train.

a [illegible] to get well and I am profiting by it. All the folks are well, and we are getting along nicely. Grandpa comes in to see me as usual especially when he thinks I am alone. Aunt Melissa and the two little girls were to go up on the boat to day but Arthur is to remain a week longer. Most all the visitors in town are packing up to go home now. To day is "Labor day" and that is why Bert Cook is in town I suppose. ~~and~~ A few other young men I do not know, and Bert Cook called at the door this morning to know [illegible] bills as Dol- told them they could come over and see our "Tennis Court" if they wished to. so they stayed until noon and [illegible]

to enjoy having them true very much. He is very lonely when Dod goes away. Dod always takes him to bed with him, and is much to a reason.
Grandma was intending to go with Joshua one day but it looked rather cloudy so she thought she could not go.
I think that Lice was sent Heath about the "Breath Cure" was pretty good Don't you?
I forgot to mention it before. I have tried it and imagine I feel better any way.
If the Bowden arrived in Boston Saturday as Mr Preston expected I think I will have a letter by this evening's train. I have engaged Henry to come here this evening and take my letters to the office and I will ask him to invite if there are any letters for

on the "Ethelwold" and I will tell you the rest when I see you and father.

With much love and many longings to see you, I am

Your loving Mother.

Wellfleet- Mass Sept- 11th 1893
Monday

My dear Son Loren

Joshua says he thinks you and father will be coming on the "Ethelwold" Thursday, but it seems to me it is hardly possible for father to get over his illness in time to come on quite as soon as that, but I do hope it can be so. still I thought I would write you a few lines and let you know how we all are at home. I am well gained strength, and have been out of doors to day and walked out of the yard this time as far as where we turn to go down the hill by the "Barn"

and besides that - have been able to attend to my work ~~[illegible]~~ all day. It is a morning beautiful in the sense over, and I hope we will have a good time indeed dinner after church and I think arrive. Father will go up to Dublin in the morning and take some flowers and Mattie (which has been in London to be cleaned) up to her the next day I think and he will be there in Dillon to attend the Fair. Mattie & Jennie will be glad enough to see him.

I shall write to Lulu in morrow, as you will notice I have the letter paper I wrote you about some. I will only write a short letter this time as I do look for you home

quite a warm pleasant Fall, and I hope you and father ~~wed~~ can spend a little time in Wellfleet. I think you and father would enjoy it very much.

[illegible]

and hoping soon to see you I am

Your loving

Mother. — —

P.S. I know you will remember [illegible]

Mother.

Wellfleet Sept 21st 1893

Thursday Morning

My dear Son Louis

[illegible] let you [illegible] now until I receive one.

I wrote father, and directed it to Boston day before yesterday, as I thought you [illegible] We are all well in health, and [illegible] and trust that father will not take any cold [illegible]

[illegible] he took the mattress Mattie made on her bed, and had it carried to Roache's

furniture store in Boston to be made over in two parts. (You remember the one she complained of that had the hollow place in, and made her back ache.) I told him we should have a few more lbs of hair put in to fill up the hollow place, and it was rather thin throughout too. Joshua didn't tell him when we would want it, but left me to address and I forgot it. I wrote him the other day to try and send it by Saturday noon or night the 23d, as I would like to have it. Grace was claimed to chose. I directed my letter to "W. F. Roach & co Boston. Furniture dealer", but I do not know whether he will get it or not. Would you have time Loren to go and see him about it? Joshua sailing Sunday and arriving in Boston the evening before, did not give him any time to see him about it before he sailed. I think we shall have

[illegible] Oct [illegible] 1870

Friday morning.

My dear Sir [illegible]

[illegible] I hope you will be in [illegible] either Tuesday or Wednesday. I [illegible] to let you know how I am getting along. I am doing finely. Lucy. I think I gain a little all the time. As long as I can [illegible] I shall [illegible], not [illegible] and something food, if it is possible for me to gain strength. So that is my [illegible] until I can come to Boston with [illegible] it is better by all means to remain where I am. [illegible] talked with [illegible] about it, and told her as father could not be here, I thought she had better [illegible]

[illegible] to get in. It is [illegible] to come down to Boston twice while we are there. I will not write farther this time, as, if he will not be in Boston before Monday, I will not write him before tomorrow noon.

Abbie & Cora called in to see me yesterday afternoon, and they were very much [illegible] of [illegible] It was Atkins Surprise Party. Abbie said she only wished you could be there to see the Old man when [illegible] it. I added a little more with it, as Abbie said father did not give anything, she said she did not think he knew of it. They said their Mother & Aunt Josephine were coming to see me surely next week.

Hoping you are still in good health, and are having a very pleasant time, with much love, I am

Your loving

Mother.

P.S. If you have time or inclination remember my "I" is in "[illegible]" P. [illegible] it [illegible] made.

Lottie.

written Hattie and Lenbie
also Cousin Kate.
I did not hear from Hattie
and Lenbie this week but
shall in one or two days.
I think now I shall come to
Bowden on the Costal
steamer Saturday morning
unless [illegible]
this coming the last of next
week. I [illegible] afraid the
weather will prevent me making
the calls I intended to make
[illegible] last Monday night
Mrs Williams invited father
Nehemiah, Elisha and myself
over to take [illegible] which we enjoyed very much
and in the evening we all
went down to hear Henry B.
deliver his lecture on [illegible]
and his mission work there.
It was very interesting.
I have you are real lonely
at Bowden. I am hoping
Uncle Nehemiah will come
up on the Bowden end slat
with you two or three days.
[illegible] the sky looks quite
[illegible] as though the rain
was over for a while.
Hoping this will find you
in good health, and [illegible]
I shall soon see you, I am
With much love

[illegible]

Mother.

Recd May 31 98
[illegible]

[illegible] January [illegible]
1898

[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible].
We [illegible] quite [illegible]
[illegible] receive [illegible]
[illegible]
The weather [illegible]. [illegible]
and [illegible].
night. [illegible] of [illegible]
in my side. [illegible]
as father was asleep. I [illegible]
[illegible] window
so I did it myself, and immediately
this [illegible] me quite bad, [illegible]
most [illegible] now, and [illegible]
[illegible] a good [illegible] at the Hotel.
[illegible] not. I think I will go up to
the [illegible] House Hotel. Father says
this is the [illegible] here

[illegible] the [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible].
Father has recovered from his sun
[illegible], and the [illegible]
his head, and [illegible]
[illegible] again, and [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] just returned
from the [illegible] carriage
[illegible], and [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] evening
[illegible]. [illegible] hope a
Boat made for the [illegible] which
will [illegible] of the [illegible]
that will be [illegible], with the
[illegible] with [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] have commenced to [illegible]
again, [illegible] I think I will go out
to day. This afternoon we [illegible]
ing. We go to [illegible], and stay over
night, and from there to [illegible]

[illegible] would be refitted
as leaving for home I trust, if all is
well. Trusting this will find you in
good health, and that we will soon
meet again, I am

Your [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] found the place so far all one could wish. We left Boston that midday as soon as Nat came in from Auburndale and had a [illegible] too much for Mother, but I took [illegible] her place at Jamaica [illegible]

he felt as though he must go. All [illegible] Mayhew is in hopes you [illegible] be able to come and stay a few days my way and see what a beautiful place [illegible] it. Mr Mayhew will be here this evening [illegible] We are all longing for you and [illegible] Forget Rennie and he go [illegible]

does all she can to make it pleasant here. On our way home we all
[illegible] is [illegible] weighed. Mother
[illegible] weighed [illegible] (just
[illegible] hand [illegible]) [illegible] since
[illegible] weighed [illegible] and
[illegible]
[illegible] weighed 3
neighbors here, and can have it. lbs.) I wanted to see how much
[illegible] difference [illegible] get
[illegible]
[illegible] at the Mercantile Wharf.
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] weighed 111½ lbs. & at present
[illegible] there is only 2½ lbs difference.
[illegible] weighed again
[illegible] and see how much [illegible]
[illegible] gained. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] enjoyed [illegible] this [illegible]
[illegible] Boston quite early this morning to see about
the good Pine Air from the Pine. her dress and make a few purchases.

Bowden.,
Port Morant, Ja. Jan 8th 1895

My dear Son Lorien

When I went [illegible] morning I found your Rubbers & Sandals in there, and knowing that you had them cleaned yesterday [illegible] take them with you to Port-Antonio, and had either forgotten [illegible] mentioned by Alice you could not get [illegible] evening by Mail Coach. I have also enclosed a tin box of Figs, which you must try and remember to eat a few

of every day, for the constipation which you have.

I have addressed the bundle in father's name, as I thought you were so seldom in St. Antonio, they might think your name ought to be written ~~your name~~ only of St. Mont!

I will enclose this letter with father's too. (You know that [illegible] bound to be on the [illegible] [illegible] thing is possible.)

Hoping you will enjoy your stay [illegible] good health, until I see you again, I am

Your loving Mother.

P.S. Have sent the Apples to the people you wished me to.

We are all well.

Mother.

Boston . Fruit . Company,

L. D. BAKER,
MANAGER JAMAICA DIVISION.

Cable Address, "BAKER."

Port Morant, Jamaica, [illegible] 18[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] just this minute received [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] of time while you are away. [illegible] and hoping to see you Saturday in good health, I am Your loving Mother

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gone about 8 or 9 hours last-
Saturday Loren, it poured down
in good earnest ~~Loren~~ and has
been raining quite heavily ever
since until to-day we have only
had light showers occasionally.
Mrs Cameron sent one word this
morning that she was at "White-
Horses" among her friends but
could not find a conveyance here,
so we sent for her this morning.
We have been quite well since you
have been gone. The carpenters &
painters have gone on well with
their work, and expect to finish
[illegible] this week.)

Pol, as well as myself have
missed you very much, and
shall be glad when you
get back again.

I must write a few words
this time as every moment
now is very precious. The time
is drawing so near when we
sail for Boston.

With lots of love and
kissing so too to you
I am
Your loving
Mother.

P.S.
Dear Joshua
you can come home
with Loren and [illegible]
a little while before going to
Worcester

L.D. Baker, Pres't & Man'r Tropical Div. A.W. Preston, Man'r Boston Div. C.W. Swett, Treas.

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Cable Address, "BANANA"

Plantations at Jamaica, W.I.

LONG WHARF.

Boston, June 13th 1896

Saturday afternoon

My dear Son Loren

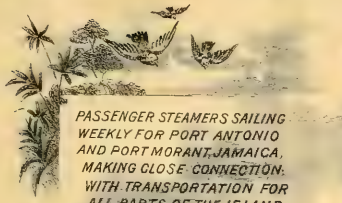
I think I will write you and father while onboard the steamer, as I shall be so busy when I first arrive that I will scarcely have time to write you any kind of a letter to go by the return ship, and it will be a nice chance too, as it is a little too rainy to sit upon Deck.

Well Loren to day is Saturday and our voyage is drawing to a close, and I have not been seasick yet, but am surprising everybody because I am so smart.

Tuesday night it was rather rough, and most of the Passengers were sick, but I went right into my berth and slept through it all. Wednesday & Thursday were two beautiful days, and I sat upon deck all of the time and enjoyed my chair very much indeed. I had some nice naps in it, and I got a good coat of sunburn too, but I intend to enjoy the fresh air and sun when I can. I went up and sat a little while in my nice chair yesterday morning, but it came on to rain so I had to come down, and sit in the Alcove the rest part of the day and this morning it was still raining so have been sitting

here through the day reading and writing and sometimes talking with Mrs Neyland and others. This afternoon the sun came out but it is damp and I think I will wait until tomorrow before I venture again. Joshua brought Mr Richardson and introduced him to me, and I found him to be a very pleasant nice appearing man. He said he should have known me anywhere, I looked so much like you. He seems to be bright and cheerful, and very glad to get home again of course. He is improving every day, and so is Bro Connel. He says his eyes have improved since he came on board. Mr Richardson is going to read Nattie's story she sent me to read on the steamer and to leave here, to morrow (Sunday). I have read it while onboard and it is a beautiful story. The title is "Titus" ~~or the~~ A story of the Cross. The family from Kingston I think are reading it to day. Mrs Neyland has been feeling rather poorly since she has been onboard until to day she seems like her old self again. Mrs Bennett the stewardess was taken suddenly ill yesterday forenoon raising blood and she raised quite a quantity but it could not have come from her lungs, if it had it would have weakened her more, but she has been persuaded to keep quiet until she sees the Doctor in Boston and her husband thinks he will leave her at home a trip to rest. The servants are well and seem to be enjoying the voyage and are behaving very well. Once I had to speak to them for talking so loud. They are not seasick and I have had Mrs Cameron to bathe my chest and shoulders with the Liniment every morning and help me dress and undress which has saved my own strength and Joshua has had a chance to assist the two sick men, more. Since the stewardess has been sick I have told them to call upon them all for any help they needed. I am very sorry for Mr and Mrs Bennett. Mrs Neal once raised a qt of blood from her stomach, but is now quite a strong old lady. I suppose she took care of herself in time. The stewardess wants to be up and around as usual but we are trying to frighten her and keep her quiet, and I think she will keep quiet now.

L.D. Baker, Pres't. & Man'r. Tropical Div. A.W. Preston, Man'r. Boston Div. C.W. Swett, Treas. 2.3



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LONG WHARF.

Boston, June 13th 1896

Mrs Nyland has stood the voyage nicely and is in ill health cheerful.

L. D. Brookline

Saturday afternoon

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What did you think of "The Lasell Girls in Blue" Loren? I wish we could have been there to have seen them dont you? After you left me that night I hurriedly looked over the names on the wrappers, and I found one for L. D. Baker Co, which you had overlooked so I gave it to father for you. Joshua has been quite anxious for fear the steamer will not arrive in Boston before Monday night, but he came in a few minutes ago and said Well, she is rattling off the distance to day, and I guess we will get in by Monday noon. Well Loren, I have thought of you every day and many times a day since I left you. I do hope you and father will keep well and will soon come and meet us. Tell father the gentlemen from Kingston here thinks the railroad will be through in two months, but not to wait — come on and let the folks cable him when to come, that will be the wisest way. I have written father, but forgot to write him that, but have been urging him to come, early. We shall be so happy to get home again, but it will not be complete until you and father come.

Monday evening. "Island of Good Luck" 25 mile off 8.

Well Loren, We are still here, we passed Targhi and Light about 1/2 past 5 o'clock. We were quite disappointed not to be able to arrive in Boston this noon. We may have a tug boat meet us and carry us up to the Dock. The Pilot is onboard, but Joshua says we will probably all stay onboard tonight. Since writing you Saturday we have had quite rough weather, but to my surprise I have not had a vomiting shell yet. I have felt seasick but laid quietly by. I am very glad as it strains my throat. It has been very cold since last evening. To day on Deck it was down to 50. but we had the steam turned on in the Cabin and I put on plenty of warm clothes so will not take any cold I guess. I am feeling quite strong and have a little appetite too. The two first days of good weather was nice for me and gave me a good start. Capt Anderson signalized them at Chatham when we passed by, so I think if Kathie has been waiting at the Office in Boston she has heard we are so near Boston

O Loren I was thinking this afternoon about those Bath house keys. I cannot seem to remember whether I took them out of the Bathroom and put them in the bag on the table shelf where we keep the keys or not but I hope I did. I suppose in the morning we will all be very busy getting ready to go ashore, so I think I will finish my letter this evening and Joshua will tell you about the last day in his letter and if Kathie came onboard. I hope Nor Flower is with you for company and that you are still keeping in good health. I will write you again by the next Ship. Be sure and take the best of care of yourself and be thinking what nice things we will have when we get well again in our dear own native land. With much love, I am Your loving Father.

Christine Everhart. I see I could fix the girl-question in our house and fix the place I have left for you and father has so long been drawing for and thank God home feeling. He is a wide-day girl you know and has lost school in old England and has no home. The delight the B. W. C. T. U. — directed her friends out of 15 others. She will go to Wellfleet with me and then to Cameron. We are settled. Mr. Cameron will come down the "Barnstable" day after to-morrow and I do wish Lizzie you could see that she has the time excited to "Little Pres." where she will live with his sister and take in Washing. I would like for us to have

Boston Parker House.

June 12 — 1889

Lizzie, you are so far away in my letters I feel as if I was talking to you. Yesterday by the noon train I came to Boston and this morning I have to meet my friend Miss Cameron in Boston. Matie came down to meet us that Tuesday morning, we arrived and I was so glad to meet her and find her in comfortable health though very tired. She had left home the day before in Catherine's place with a big had just had quite a pail of milk to wash school clothes however and we will expect them here the morning.

[illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] it
[illegible] place [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] to buy her a cheap [illegible]
as near like the one the [illegible]
ants ate up [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] (he had
[illegible]) [illegible]
[illegible] glad
to have [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] if
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] thought [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

It is evident it is not to be [illegible] to find
that [illegible] for a time we might see
if we could be [illegible] to pay her, as I
[illegible] some [illegible] we can get me
[illegible] together one more [illegible]
told her there would be no work for
her to do at Bowdoin. Nought could
[illegible] a good person [illegible] the
[illegible] pain. [illegible] to [illegible]. I could
see [illegible] it is [illegible] we will
[illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] can't
[illegible] build and looks some like her
[illegible] She is very pleasant and I think
we will [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Frank he will
be blessed. [illegible] Tell Lou we have wished
many many times you were with us and
I feel you will soon come now. Be sure
and tell [illegible] The best of [illegible] [illegible] with
[illegible] love and may [illegible] to all you
[illegible] your [illegible]

Mother

Parker House,
Boston, [illegible] 189

[illegible]

[illegible] —

My dear Son Loren

I have been out with Mattie to day, and tried on [illegible] with our work. I went also to a furniture [illegible] The [illegible] modest [illegible] [illegible] It is just a dark wood [illegible] bedstead with slats and not springs. [illegible] Loren you would also [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Tomorrow morning Martha and I are going
to [illegible]
simple [illegible]
the Dentist. [illegible] has an appointment
at the Dentists but he heard [illegible]
when he went with Mr Corn[illegible].
[illegible] well and think I shall be
[illegible] for me this summer.
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

and then come up again to finish and decide it second on, but it is to so after we had once begun we took because the people put by other engagements to accomodate us so we had but a short time to remain here. Everything has been done in fine order for us and with so little trouble. Surely dressmaking with my last dressmaking has been beyond my expectations, and I can say that dressmaking is a pleasure instead of a burden. We are having and have been with the exception of a day or two, beautiful cool weather in Boston, like what we have the last of September and I have been far better than to most at Sharon last year.

Katie is at home from Ohio or rather comes home next Wednesday. She is looking quite well, and

Sunday July 14 96

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Boston

My dear

I am so

glad to hear from you by Jochi letter that you are still in good health, but am sorry to hear that you cannot tell when you will be coming to America, but I think later on things will look diff ent and you and Jochi can see your way clear to come to us. I hope it will not be too much of a disappointment to you if it should happen that you could not come on as

we are so pleasantly situated. We are still here at the Inn. There, as it now is we do not have quite enough to spend this portion in Hartford-Edinburgh. There is now in a Yacht-Race from the second feet as soon as the wind is so. Lincoln has been invited to spend his vacation with one of his school friends, and will go there Friday and remain until Monday. Joshua will try and find a chance to have a sail in the Yacht-Race which is at Plymouth and Albion & will be in the same place at the Park. Times are spend the day in Providence with Uncle Daniel's family but postpone until to-morrow week at midnight, and after the steamer comes Monday, we will all go down to Hartford - and not fail Tuesday afternoon pretty yet. Heath and I will get rid of our dose for the year only Heathie will need one winter dress when winter comes. We are all having our teeth attended to ~~so~~ when we go to Hartford Tuesday we will leave nothing to call our minds from what we came to Hartford for which after all is better. Think then to go there when our work was early finished

Bashma says you have sent us some fruit, & anything else. I hope you will be able to send you some nice fruits from the Market here. I am afraid though it will not last much time! Tomorrow we are going down out in the Bay to Hooper to morrow morning at six o'clock and go and see Mr Shiverick about that boat. I guess he will not stay very long though. I feel seen too, we are very comfortable here, but we long to see the Wellfleet, but I do wish you and father could come there too - but however I would not have you and father leave the business, & on the strength not make a mistake by so doing, and make you feel uneasy if I do not so, I will patiently wait for the time to come, & we will see each other soon.

I must go out tomorrow with Nathie so I am writing this this evening as I am afraid I shall not write to-morrow & something may happen to prevent me writing in time. Abbie Rich sends her love to see me every a while, but I do not see

[illegible]
Mrs Beck has Mattie
to see me last week. I had
never met her before. She is very
pleasant and seems [illegible]
[illegible]
I hope there is cooking your
good comfortable food, and that
you will look well. I wonder
if I cannot find [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
I have [illegible] hear D L
Moody there. I am in "comfort-
able" and "enjoy it so
[illegible] I have been to
[illegible] the "Theatre Tri-
[illegible] I was just tired
How I wish you and Father
could have [illegible]
[illegible] up some
pamphlets and little papers
she got at the one place I
took you. You would see friend
[illegible] when you [illegible]
[illegible] and we make

Parker House,
Boston, [illegible] th 189[illegible]

Tuesday Evening

My dear Cousin [illegible]

You will see by the heading of this letter [illegible] at the Parker House, but [illegible] ready to [illegible] on the 7.8 train [illegible] ramstown later in the day, [illegible] you. [illegible] without [illegible] 28 train [illegible] expected [illegible] and answer them before he goes down. After to-day unless Father should send for him to come to Jamaica, he will come up to [illegible]

time the steamers arrived and give father all the points he can about them as he asked him to, in one of his letters. We are looking for you [illegible] and I trust soon to see you. We have been in Boston just 3 weeks this morning, which is [illegible] than I thought we would be, but we [illegible] a lots of work done and it has been a success too. When you and father come on over we will have the spare time to go and pay some of the promised [illegible]. I called on Lizzie in to see me last evening but particularly for Mathie as I did not like to see her get tired so quick, and he said she [illegible] back not from having the blues, but the sea and change in Wellfleet would do her a lots of good, and with the tonic he prescribed for her and the medicine to spray her throat, she would soon be all right again. He examined my lungs and said they were considerable better than they were last year, there was [illegible]

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of, I could only take care of myself he did not see my I could not leave out my aotted days, and he hoped I would find the truth the Lord revealed and I would keep her with me. As she has been staying with her friends in Boston, I have only seen the three times she has called here to bring me some sewing she has been doing for me. but we all like the address of the new much. She is one of the nicest sewers and menders I ever saw, I think I can say the nicest mender. She makes old garments look like new ones. She has been making over my old silk and wool flannels and I had to look twice to see where they were pieced. Well Loren my dear son, I trust you

are still keeping your health and that Nurse is taking good care of everything and giving you good food. I hope the income have been as you as I feel some nice food. I thought I would see the other day when I went out if I could not find something to send you but I could not seem to accomplish anything. If I only could, there would be a lots of nice thing coming to you, so you must take the will for the deed. Anyway we will have all the nice things to eat we can find, when you do come. Dr Stedman is looking pretty well now, but says he had quite a sick time last February with Pneumonia, and only regained his former strength a few weeks ago. He said there were a few doctors in Boston and one right across the road from him who died with it last winter. Everything is going on well at the Cape, Charlie writes Joshua, and they are anxious for us to come. He is heating the house all ready for us to come this week. I will not close my letter until I hear from the Ethelwold tomorrow. have just written to father.

Parker House,

Boston, July 5th 1896

My dear Son. It is Wednesday forenoon (4 o'clock-Mt.) and Gertie has telephoned to us from the wharf that the "Ethelwold" is overdue so I think I will not wait any longer but will close my letter as it is most dinner time and as the weather is pleasant we will surely go to Wellfleet this afternoon. Eddie had a pleasant visit with his school friend Russell Southwick of Northampton, and arrived here one day later than he expected. He will invite him to Wellfleet soon to return the visit. Joshua will write you all about his fourth. Mattie & I had a good rest just before the packing of our trunks. We could see the processions very plainly as they passed from our window

so we did not need to go out of one room only to get our meals. Joshua came in the evening and we were glad enough to see him safe and well.

I have not been out to see Mrs Atwood but have tried hard to get there. The children thought I would over to and did not seem to think it would be best for me to go. Perhaps it is not, but still it seems impressed upon me that I ought to have gone. If I could have gone alone I should have taken a day and run out there, but still it may be for the best not to go. With much love and trusting this will find you well and that we will soon see you I am

Your loving

Mother.

P.S. We sent you a piece of yesterday and to day's papers.

Please give my love to Rachel

[illegible] had [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] warmed [illegible]
and [illegible] take [illegible] for supper.
[illegible] you and [illegible]
[illegible] to make our joy complete.
We have been busy since then unpack-
ing our trunks and putting things
in their [illegible], and we are
nearly through. [illegible]
and [illegible] came home from Boston
Saturday night
from the [illegible] which [illegible]
will tell you about, and Sunday
morning we were all so tired we did
not either of us go to Church, it was
a very warm day too, but after this we
will all go to Church every Sunday
that the weather is good. Grandpa
and Grandma seemed very glad to see
us. Grandfather [illegible] to see us
[illegible] we have been [illegible]

[illegible] came just
[illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible], We [illegible]
[illegible] or [illegible]
[illegible] and I was afraid
I would not have time to write
you [illegible] waited until I received
your letter first. I was so
glad to have such a cheerful
letter from you, and to know
you [illegible]. Well it is just
[illegible] good work for you to be
patient and willingly [illegible]

now. With much love, and [illegible] longing to see you my dear son, I am your loving Mother.

I am feeling real well. and expect to improve considerable this summer.

[illegible] sent me [illegible] card and [illegible] some [illegible]

when you have reason
to
doubt a man
we are come.
He that it was to
be delayed in
the tenor Hour more
Joshua had reckoned.
on board this summer
the ships were so far behind!
This was that he could not keep
and must stick to it:
did not write how long it would
be, but he trusted the time would
soon come. That was written
2nd. He made Joshua about!

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
felt when [illegible] and has made
[illegible] that time
They should decide it
He will take his
Boston tomorrow
to me. The
your father [illegible]
by the [illegible] all say that
[illegible] ly for him to come
[illegible] he will come back again
because also saying he will come
his trunk back again. We are
will soon, [illegible]
found back! Monday night in our
at home and

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that was quite a piece on foot
[illegible] you and [illegible] "Hello Henry"
[illegible] "Good morning" [illegible] said
[illegible] in hearing of the train
at South Weymouth [illegible] may come
from Boston this time. I have said
she was waiting with an accompanying
car, and as soon as Matilda heard the
word "South Weymouth" she jumped off
[illegible]

Matilda had to get a person to bring
her to see the Weymouth pieces. Maurice
went up after her, but passed her coming
down, and did not know it, so she got here
before he did. I think Matilda must
have been trying to "show off", how
[illegible] I am glad to hear that Gail has another little
girl in Hampton and I hope Mother and daughter
are doing well. We have just heard from Aunt
Kate that she will come down on the boat Thursday
[illegible] has only a week to spare in his vacation and
Kate does not bring to stay North. I have been
writing letter and as it is getting late I must close

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Friend. Twice we went out to church
on Sabbath afternoon. We found
two vases of flowers which I
[illegible] to place on a table
[illegible] that night which I forgot
to mention. Mrs. Lipe seems quite
as well as she did last year only she
sometimes
does not take quite as much out-door
[illegible]
did in the morning, and that is such
a blessing. Maurice has come home
next day after we arrived, so she is
all right now. To day she played
on the piano "Home sweet Home" and
Stanley played on his Mandolin
while Maurice played with his Violin
and we had some pretty good music.
Maurice has taken two lessons on the
"Piano forte" and Stanley says he

as I drove it—it quite pleased
Eddie to enjoy it. Altogether it
was a day I shall always remember
as long as I live. Mrs Tice
is mostly well. Jennie is married
now, and she is just the same as
ever. We had a letter from Jennie Jones
and Kate saying that they would come
to come and see us if it should be
convenient for me to have them, and
we have written back to tell them to
come and come. I am so sorry that
you and Father cannot be here with
them. I know you would enjoy their
visit. I fear Jennie Foss looked
hurt—poor girl she would board in
the summer, and she said "no she
could not leave him". I think he
is among his father's folks now. Hattie
and I have not been over to see Hunt-
ington yet, but we will try and go tomorrow
and take the little present we have brought
them. Margaret and Hattie are well
and are getting along finely with Mr
Smith, although Hattie has been
here such a short time, and this is
the 5th she is fine, and so do we all.
[illegible]
her so kind and very pleasant—and she
seems about all we could wish so
far. I am so glad you are getting
along so well keeping house and that
Father could be with you so long and
Mr Glover and Richard once in a
while. That was kind of Mr & Mrs
Swift to invite you and Mr Glover
to take tea with them and spend the
evening. Dear old Spot! how much
I would like to see him, I am so glad
he can be with you when you are
all alone. I expect Peter was glad
to have the Parrot come and stay
beside him and the little [illegible]

Fact-Bethel 21st '82

Tuesday

My dear [illegible]

[illegible] I have just seen [illegible] so glad to hear you [illegible] a little disappointed in not seeing you as soon as I expected but I hope you and [illegible] as soon as you can.

I did not write [illegible] last week by the "Boarding" as I thought you would prefer to be coming out [illegible]

week. Tomorrow evening we are to have a social and Kittie is to sing a little while I accompany her on the piano. I have been invited and will try and go if the weather is fair, as Kathie says she does want to see, for we love Kittie and thought she could sing so much better too. So if I have to get a horse and carriage to take me there, on account of the night air, I think I will go for her sake.

David and family go to Boston on the last Thursday noon, as his vacation is over. They are allowed two weeks vacation in his business. Stanley [illegible] yesterday. Helen & Bessie are coming up again day after to-[illegible] with Kathie. David has been looking around since he was here to find a house so that he can bring his family down next summer, and Katy said today perhaps Helena would come to

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brother, but as I have heard to-
day by Chickie's letter I heard he
that the "Chelmsford" is due in Boston
tomorrow, I thought I would sit
right down and write you and if
I send it on the early morning train
it would reach the steamer in good
time. I am still as well since
as we, my cough of course troubles
~~are done, but I feel so much stronger~~
than I did. We all went to
church Sunday, David and all his
family, Martha, Stanley, Rebecca and myself.
We filled two pews, and I seemed
to surprise every one I met to see
so well, and all had been a long
time since they had seen me. It was
a beautiful day, and I enjoyed it
much. Mr Elmer gave out notice that
there would be an open air service
held next Wednesday morning on the
ground between the houses and
left "our Mickie" beginning at 7 o'clock
I have invited Aunt Annie and Ruth
to come up, and we must have
lights in all of our windows that we
may light up the place as much as
possible although it is hardly
dark before 7 o'clock.
I think it is the "Gospel Wagon"
which goes travelling about, and has a
Wellfleet. They are going to Provincetown
How much I wish you and Father
could be here. I must ask
[illegible] to come up and sit in our
[illegible] probably
[illegible]
so sit among the people. He does not
go to church now, as it tires him so

[illegible]

house, but has not been down yet this summer. George wrote Aunt Minnie that he should come down a little later than he did last year. David has not invited Aunt Minnie, only called to see her. I have got every thing pretty well settled now, and I must begin the first pleasant spell of weather and take a walk out every day. It is sinfully to lay.

Mrs Smith is doing well, and all the children, and I think I have a good help in Mrs Smith. I invited her to eat with us when we did so [illegible] mea; but she declined it, saying she thought it was her place to eat at the second table. So by doing so Charlie (unasked) brought his own plate in and sat at our table with us. I thought I would not say anything, but rather bother comes if-

[illegible] usual or rather as he did last year, he can tell him to do so. Charlie is doing pretty well but seems inclined to make himself more as one of the family than he did last year. [illegible] comes, whether he has anything to do, why I should be suited.

I am so pleased to see Reuben enjoying his home in Wellfleet to the fullest last year, but he says Wellfleet is not much without a boat, and he will be very glad when [illegible] come. [illegible] will last for another year [illegible] I hope. [illegible] family are well at their homestead. Everybody is impatient for you and father

Wednesday

[illegible] to try the Church Organ, but is going to the first chance. [illegible] Ida is now up to the Methodist Church rehearsing her piece to sing. I am glad Vance and Mother Simons are getting along very well with the cooking &c. I think you will do a [illegible] much [illegible] to see you again. [illegible]

Be sure and take good care of your health.

Later. Just to inform Daniel I am to take tea with him this evening. Received the letter. Mary is all right.

Wellfleet, Mass. July 21st 1896

Saturday noon

My dear Son-[illegible]

It does not [illegible] since you and father are expected in. Bobbie so soon with I am so glad to know it is so, and I trust you will arrive safe and well. I am feeling real well, only of course my cough is yet at times troublesome which is to be expected for some time to come yet. Helen & Bessie are staying with us until the house is ready for incoming family to land (Mrs. Brooks). George and family came down last evening

Richard is to Grandfather's. Frank's
Grandma [illegible] & Ruth are well
as usual. They are reckoning much
[illegible]
[illegible]
in boating this year.
I will enclose the pieces from the
Globe in regard to the Yacht-race.
With much love and trusting
[illegible] I am your
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
the next race is
the 12th of Aug.

P. J

THE BOWDEN'S JOURNEY HOME FROM JAMAICA—Baltimore, July 29—From Cuba to Balt, with a broken rudder, is what was accomplished by the st Bowden, Capt Wilkie, which arrived yesterday from Port Antonio. When off Cape Maysi, at the eastern end of Cuba, the Bowden's rudder posthead broke, leaving the rudder in position, but unmanageable. A 30-foot boom, weighted at one end with anchors and chains, was run out from the stern, with the heavy end resting in the water. The other end of the boom was fastened on deck. Two ropes ran out to the end of the boom, one on each side, and by these means the vessel was steered. Then the steamer was headed for Fortune Island, 90 miles distant, where more permanent repairs were made. The ends of two chains were fastened in the back edge of the rudder, and then the chains were connected with the pilot wheel ropes. Under this arrangement the vessel steamed from the island up the Atlantic coast, the length of the Chesapeake, to quarantine, where she took a tug and was towed to her wharf.

[illegible]

[illegible] 1890

[illegible]

My dear Son Loren

I am so glad and relieved to receive your card. It is to wish in Christ's blessing are you are in Boston and Father is under the good Doctor's care.

I have been quite anxious for it did not seem hardly prudent for father to go but he thought he must. I have been all right since you have been away. Mr Swett has looked after the Furnace &c.

All the folks are well. Hoping you will soon be able to come home with father and with much love to you both, I am

Your loving Mother.

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Recd
June 10 '97
L.D.P.

Thursday

My dear dear Loves

The home
here in Boston just a week
this evening. It seems as though
it had been longer than that.
We have been quite cold and cloudy
until yesterday since we arrived

one week ago. Then the next day
that the last Boston ship sails
the week and Father will go to
Provence on Tues. He could come on
the first ship in the week if Father was
through school. I know you will all
want to see him as soon as he can
come back. Father & I will probably
stay a day or two, after Father
goes. We will publish as soon the
following Sunday after the gold

nearly. We received prayers on some times
on the Pacific here and have missed
considerable since last year. The
[illegible]
[illegible] we were some days just
in everything that she always was and
is such a comfort to us.

which was yesterday at "Tremont
Temple." We had a very discouraging
[illegible]
[illegible]
which I hope the church at the
[illegible] of the services. I

made it very impressive.
It was decoration day, but it has
been foggy all day with light showers
so I could not go out, but I
have had the pleasure of my
little Daughters company who
[illegible] last night.
[illegible] Sunday and Monday
days to day with us which was the
best of all. We are busy getting
[illegible]
exercises, and we will just about
have time enough. It was a little
[illegible] I thought it was
when I arrived so could not go
right out as I had hoped, but
was obliged to rest awhile first.

I am getting nicely rested now.
Father is well and bright and
cheerful. Mattie's school does not
end before the 9th of June but the
grand concert in which Mattie
takes a prominent part comes off
this coming Tuesday the 4th of June.
[illegible]
We leave at 6 o'clock to-night and Wednesday
morning will return again, and
we will go to Russell Wednesday
afternoon [illegible]
be there in the evening at the concert.
Mattie has made plans for us to have
the guest chamber three days we will
remain over night and come back after
breakfast. Then the next Tuesday we
will go over [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] I will send
burning logs of oak wood. It is fine.
We have been very fortunate in not
taking any cold this spring. May is
out to day. The old folks used to say
"do not leave off your winter clothing
until May is out." Aunt Melissa
and Arthur have called to see us.
Cousin Clarence Hopkins will stay
with us [illegible] while we are at
Walfield. She stayed with me last
week while Lee was in New York.

Tuesday ~~morning~~ evening June 1st.

My dear Son I want to go out
and look after Mattie's flowers
and mine, and as my letter has
not come in yet and I will be
some [illegible]

not be coming my dear to the
[illegible] yet we may the dreams
have arrived and will have again
the joy of knowing it.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Have a long letter.

I'll close may come out to
day and it seems as though
[illegible] coming one.

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Boston
June 23 1897

[illegible] Home 4th day

My dear Son Loren.

We are here at last in our old home at Wellfleet and I have come to be in our home once more although I have had a very pleasant time with Lizzie and Hattie in Boston and Reading in spite of the unpleasant weather. I have had. We left Boston yesterday morning at 7 P.M. and arrived here at 1 o'clock. It was very pleasant weather when we left

another, and I began thinking my Father's advice would be a good one for me to follow in the future I have made a solemn resolve to conduct myself in a reasonable manner because this wrong doing does not pay.

I find Grandpa has been worrying about me because he was afraid I might be a humbug and make his get down sick. But instead of that I feel better for going.

I had a very pleasant time at the Reception I wrote you about and so did Father. I wish you and Hattie and Joshua could have been there. I wrote Joshua all about it while I was waiting at-

[illegible] 2 [illegible]
having written a long [illegible]
and fortunately that he came in
the morning train. We found
Nina, Helen well and the babs
and glad to see us. Dear old
Grandpa, not well at the moment
but improved so much since we
got home. It is dear.
Charles had the house all warm
and we are very comfortable in
spite of the rainy cold weather and
I do not take any cold so long as
I keep the house warm. That's
the thing the "hot water heater" is.
For he died last Friday on the
"Bremen" after we came in for
his state. It was quite a bad
storm and I was a little anxious
about him but I felt that
nothing injured to him and
that he will be quite well
and well. Yesterday it was
horrible and I had a good rest
and felt very good resolutions
not to undertake anything until we
got rested, and we have had a
good rest to day, so that tomorrow
we will be all ready to begin work
reasonably. We had a little
idea that we should be
going to the good things on the

I [illegible] hope the [illegible] will be
[illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] well. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] rather a
little worse. [illegible] [illegible] is
getting along well, but [illegible] is
getting pretty [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] be [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
come by the [illegible] in time to
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] time [illegible] [illegible].
[illegible] I shall hear you are all
in good health. Well, my dear
[illegible], I must close now and
write to [illegible]. [illegible] this
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with
many blessings [illegible] [illegible] you. I
[illegible] [illegible] loving [illegible].

which [illegible] [illegible] she [illegible] me
when we [illegible] yesterday [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to use. It is a nice one.
I shall have to share her a
few days next week to go to
[illegible] [illegible] to stay for
the [illegible] [illegible] 50th anniversary of
the [illegible] Society of which she
was a member, but she will
soon be back again. She has
promised to come, so cannot break
her promise very well. I don't
think she cares much to go.
I will have a chance to use
all the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

this year so I have an early
I am going to send the lion
to Charlie, and see if I can
get some lions when he comes
home from Port-Antonio, and
if they are not, I will send
some in few lessons in the letter.
The sweet little kittens
hopping about the room and
every thing is in a state of both
and all. We have a bandit
"Laetitia" and the young kitty
is provided with the best food
and every thing, she is
anticipating a nice time with
you and the Boys. There is a Sunday

School concert at the Church
this evening. Bria is very hard
learning her recitation. ~~She~~
Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Cook
are in Port-Antonio. Bria is taking
a great interest in the Church.
Next Thursday there is to be a
Thanksgiving Festival, but I think
we will be home until Friday
Little Pula goes to Sunday School
and seems to be a fine little
boy. I think he will become
quite a favorite with us all.
Bria sends her love to Aunt Clotilda and
Catherine and will address
to you herself in a few days.
Lots of love to you, Charlie and the Boys.

[illegible] but my time is rather short to day, so I will tell you all about it when I see you. Father will tell you perhaps better than I can [illegible]. I [illegible] and the Minister and all [illegible] Mattie. They told me I ought to be very proud of her. Dear child! I [illegible] happen to her, but I think [illegible] gave her. Father told Mattie she could [illegible]

P.S. Have you seen anything of a box addressed to Miss Bowden [illegible] the office at [illegible] She had her hand [illegible] in it and some letter for [illegible] but has not been [illegible] I have written to Charlie asking him if it is there in Boston, but it may not have been forwarded from Bowden. Charlie did not see it when in Boston.

Mother.

bringing me one [illegible]
little things [illegible]
[illegible]
carried the Dining Table, Sitting Room, Stove
and a few other things, and I asked him
to oil the locks to the front-door so it
[illegible]
me [illegible]
this summer, Leon if we are all spared.
[illegible] nice and
everything around the House. I expect the
Boys & Girls will have a nice time with it this
summer. Well Leon my dear Son, I hope
[illegible]
[illegible] affair of mine, I might write
you so much. You must try and call at all your
[illegible] for us
[illegible]

Leon
July 1, 97
Jessie

My dear Son [illegible]
I am looking
[illegible]
or commencing on your ships machinery
have one, but I will not wait for it
before writing you
[illegible]
fear my letter will be too late to
catch the steamer.
[illegible]
addressed to Father on the of the 10th
[illegible]
[illegible] got all over my cold
[illegible] ailing since so much

better than when I left Boston.
The good weather has come and I
[illegible]
air, and I can have all the cream
[illegible]
this summer, which is just the thing
for me, and we can all share it, as
he has so much milk, he can let
me have all I wish. He wont
sell all of his customers with milk
[illegible]
is very commendable in him.
We are nearly all settled now. The
dressmaker is expected to day, and by
the time you are get-ness, we can have
our sewing all done up.
[illegible]
she is well and seems very strong.

Dear old Grandpa comes up to see us every
day that it does not rain, and seems
to enjoy coming up here so much.
Aunt Annie called the other day and is
looking very well. I went down to
[illegible]
bought a few things for [illegible] and
enjoyed my walk very much. I enjoyed
them all, for they had heard that I was
almost sick and. Everyone thinks I am
looking better than I have for a long time.
[illegible]
not be so unrea[illegible]
been the least [illegible]
so, that every day [illegible]
and not do me [illegible]
[illegible]
(Sunday) was a [illegible]
another beautiful [illegible]
The light [illegible]
[illegible]

with market, and [illegible]
[illegible] dress.
Mattie and I were counting the
weeks this morning at the B[illegible]
[illegible] would be [illegible].
She was pretty tired after she
got home from Dillon but is
having a nice chance to get all
rested now. I suppose Uncle Will's
family will soon be coming down
now. Our minister called to see
us last week and we liked his
appearance much. Next Sunday we
will be able to go to Church and
[illegible]

Rec'd July 20

every day, but have not been to the little house yet as the dressmaker has been here, but Mattie & I are

dressmaker will be down day after to-morrow to go on with her work again.

Grandpa was pleased when I told him what you said about the boat, but he is worrying a little for fear they are putting too much lead on the keel. He is afraid that if anything should happen to her she would sink unless you had a rubber band around the deck to keep her up. I told him I would write you right-straight-off to-day. Do hope you all safe now! Your Loren. Pa

laugh at him, but he could not help being a little amused. Mrs George Fiske

letter this week for they will

Kingston. I hope no accident happened and I shall expect the day of the Cocoa Jubilee. I wonder if I left the key to Joshua's trunk containing what he need for his boat. It came to me I left it in his drawer but I am not certain. Let it go at that if I did not.

Our Ralph is getting along nicely [illegible] and rabbits little [illegible] make very good help for us if nothing happens to him. I am trying to keep [illegible]

[illegible] to go out with Francis to New Orleans, and he is willing to do [illegible] I want to.

with us a week longer [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to Boston the [illegible] [illegible] and I should hate to come home. We shall look for her day after tomorrow. [illegible] is real nice in every way and we think we have been very fortunate to get this home so [illegible] I like her work much better than [illegible]. I am very glad that the strawberries arrived in quite good order. I have reserved a few [illegible] nice ones to bring home, and shall [illegible] [illegible] and ankle are getting along nicely and by next Sunday will be able to [illegible] "one regular-service dress" and [illegible] the church, and I will go with her. We are having beautiful weather now [illegible]

Rec'd July 13. 97

I think they add to the looks of the [illegible]

Bowling Alley is finished and as the dressmaker wanted to have a game yesterday after her work was [illegible] thought they would undertake it, and [illegible] all the servants a [illegible] reaches you or before rather, it will [illegible]

My dear [illegible]

As there is but one mail tomorrow and that in [illegible] my letters this afternoon instead [illegible] they [illegible] as [illegible] [illegible] your good letter [illegible] good [illegible] [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] dear old

"Spot" for company. I hope the dear old Dog has got nearly well of the sore paw.

[illegible] down in five little hour, and every thing looked as nice and clean inside it and just like he [illegible] [illegible] could not take long to tell it. I must go in for [illegible] for [illegible] owing to the [illegible] and we could not open them very well. You so many more [illegible]

[illegible] to get back [illegible] called [illegible] and she [illegible] go [illegible] around that [illegible] Mr. [illegible] going down to look [illegible] the lake of the [illegible] week [illegible] the servants house and

they all will soon be coming now.
Fully this come, and the time
for you all to start will
[illegible] now most at.
I assure you we are counting
the days. Judson has just come
up stairs and called us to supp.
so I will not have time to
[illegible]
go to [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

P.S. Many thanks for the
[illegible] copies
They were [illegible]
[illegible] morning [illegible]
Pine Apples for Sherbert - the
[illegible]

Answered July 20 '97

Wellfleet July 17th 1897

My dear Mr. Howe

I was so glad to receive your good letter of July 8th and to know you were still in good health. I had your good letter that night all at once — one from Jettie & my three so, and I assure you I had a real treat, and they so loved such good news. They made me cry and laugh. I thought of you often & many times and wished I could have looked in and see you & that every thing passed off all right and that you are now no more trouble with such characters

again. I pity poor Engil. but he should
be so weak as to be led away into such a
scrape and bring so much trouble upon
himself and poor Mrs H suffer with
him. You must have been
quite amused about Bell Anderson
and his new flirtation being so very
sudden. He was good enough to send
my the paper that she was married in
Brooklyn much admired.

We are having real summer weather
here now — warm enough for anybody.
Grandma says it rather takes hold of
him; I think and I should prefer
as soon have it a little cooler, but
I like it very much better than
the cold weather. I am trying
a new remedy for my cough. "The
Pillar Inhaler" which I have advertised
in Philadelphia and I have never used
anything or seen have as much good.
I believe it will cure my
cough. I have used it about a
week and have not had a hard
coughing spell since I used it.
I believe it would be of great use
to Mr Bennett. For a short time
they are to be sold at $3.00 a piece
after wards at $5.00.

Hattie is well and is busy with the
dressmaker getting her clothes ready.
I am so glad she likes the dress
maker so much. She is certainly a
fine little woman and dressmaker
too. All the servants are getting
along fairly now. Julian is the
same faithful little boy. I wonder
if the Cooties are usually so faithful,
for Julian is quite remarkable.

16-3

[illegible]

[illegible] 17th. I trust that no sickness or accident will happen to prevent but that you will be brought safely to us. Everything is in His power and we will trust in Him for all things. [illegible] and the evenings most [illegible] pleasantly and [illegible] the days are very warm, yet the days are very [illegible] preach in Auburndale. Every body speaks in the highest praise of Mr. Brooks.

I send Katharine to Boston in this more as I did her tooth ache out as there was no dentist in town. Charlie went with her. She has been having a bad time with her tooth. Matilda tells me she will keep her, and when she gets toothache she will put in a piece of [illegible] as usual. I assure you when we are

Wellfleet, Mass.

[illegible]

glad to receive your good letter of the 8th and to know you are still in good health, but sorry that the disagreeable court business was not yet settled. However I trust by the time I receive your next letter it will be [illegible]. I feel with the expect of the [illegible] steamer must have made it an uncomfortable time for you all. We are so glad to find that you are safely in Hanover. I [illegible]

the 19th writing I did.
Uncle Young and wife came to
visit for a day or two last
week and I was very glad
to see them. That night
with pain I died. We are all
feeling nicely now. I got a little
cold going into the hotel, a little
too much out. I am going to be
more careful this in the future
although we, and I will
avoid all danger, but I am all
right again now. and I am improv-
ing in health now the weather is
pretty. Come now, don't
we going to take a drive and
call with Mrs. Harris now
come down on the back road.

Sunday afternoon. Louie Fels
has not arrived from Auburndale
yet. I suppose on account of the
storm. Today the sun shines
Mother & the girls have gone to
church. I must go pick a note
or more. Last Saturday they were
sure she would come and when
they found she did not, they decided
she would not come again.
The girls took tea and spent the
evening with us last Thursday.
All the servants are well and
[illegible] Ella is so fat
[illegible] today or tomorrow.
One or more probably today and in the
26th and then I will now close

Mathe & I like her appearance very much. We met Cousin Hall and little nes down on the boat to day. Sister Bessie, Lizie Freemon their cousin and [illegible] come down last week and are at their house. They are much pleased with it, they have a fine view and it is cool up on the hill. Uncle Walter and others of the family are coming down later.

We miss you dear, I must close now and write to Reubie and Joshua. I have written father.

With much love

and hoping you are still in good health. [illegible]

[illegible]

which [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] with him. Do you not think he had ought to have some more sent him? It seems to me [illegible]

[illegible]

would need it for others is [illegible] The

[illegible]

ask father if he does not think [illegible]

[illegible]

Joshua's letter I have writt-

18.2

Auburndale June 17th 1888

Recd June 20. 98

National Park Hotel.

My dear Son Loren

I was so glad to receive your good letter of June 7th and to know you were well, and were getting along nicely.

Father sailed or rather left here last Wednesday night for Philadelphia where he was to take the steamer "Stock" to sail on Saturday and sailed at eight for Jamaica by way of a few different places he said to visit it first which would make his voyage about ten days in transit. Of course he was not thinking of you at that time. He was in good health and spirits when he left and I think we

have had all much to come so strongly that I think we will go, as I am pretty well now. Nettie, father and I went down to the B. & Ohio Office last Tuesday morning and met the girls and Judkins. They had a nice passage up and seemed happy enough. We went over to a shipping [illegible] so we did. It was glad I came for I had a chance to be with father and see the servants and the alterations made in the Office, which are very nice indeed. After [illegible] we went to Kanis's for [illegible] and I got [illegible] "Cambridge" a corner [illegible] and 15 "rags" and I got one except for the [illegible] said "Stop [illegible]" in the [illegible] a few moments [illegible] waiting for [illegible] to come on. Then Wednesday we came over again with father to the Office again, and take his new carriage he bought for Bowden, which is a fine one, and Mr

will arrive in the time I write and mail.
I hear Mattie is to leave on Pair Patrons
the 22nd of June and remain a week.
We are all well as usual. Mattie took
a cold I mean "trill by exercises" in school
and since that time has had a little
cough, but otherwise is in good health.
and we are taking a lots of comfort
together. We like here much it is so
quiet and homelike. It seems the most
like Wellfleet of any place we have
been. I am gaining a little all the
time. We had a soft balmy day
yesterday, and for the first time
since I have been here, I felt like
shopping by taking the Electric Cars in
Boston, and I did enjoy it so much.
To day is another beautiful day. This is
the 7th of June, but it seems just like
any other day here. In Boston of course

is some of young men to excavate it.
This morning after breakfast Mattie and
I took a little walk out and took some
views of the Hotel and surroundings and
then we came in, and Mattie went up
to the Seminary to pack up her trunks
and do other little things she had to do.
Later. Mattie has just been in to take
dinner with me, and says she thinks she
can [illegible] looking at everything in
good order. She wishes me to give her love
to you, and says she was in hopes
to have had time to write to you
this time, but I think will be well.
I am [illegible] in enjoying
quiet [illegible] me. Mattie
also sends [illegible] the
[illegible] and [illegible] and
[illegible] spoiled [illegible]
have a few days longer and make a long
visit. But time to make
visit.

and visit his Mother. I will try and call sometime. Every day I wish he would [illegible] if we accepted all of our invitations. I am sorry our work takes up so much of our time that we cannot make but a very few.

I invited Charlie to come down to Willie's and see us, and he said he would like to come very much.

I think Lottie will go in a few days. We go in Boston tomorrow to get a Cheque for our dressmakers and I will get her to take my letter in it at the same time, so it will be sure to be in time for the steamer, and I will write Joshua and Rubie also and send by the same ship if I find I have time, if not I will write by the one sailing in the middle of the week, so you can hear from us often. I must take my Bath before supper and a few other little things I [illegible] so I must close for this time.

Be sure and take the best care of your health,

With much love and trusting this will find you still in good health, I am

Your loving Mother

Remember me kindly to all the folks and the servants at Bowden.

P.S. I did not meet Mrs Reich and her sister as we remained in the Office, and I did not know they had come up, until after I had left. I am sorry. I would liked to have met them.

Mother.

[illegible] [illegible] them, [illegible] away.

[illegible]

[illegible] with them.

[illegible]

[illegible] measured the place in back underneath the seat for a trunk, and Mother & I have given the trunk maker at "[illegible]" the dimensions and he is to make a trunk to fit it. It will be quite flat but large enough I guess. So you see we are making plans to travel a little next year.

Father said he thought he would let [illegible] come on so as to be here the 15th of July and [illegible] a week later, and you and father [illegible] on a week [illegible] [illegible] but he said tell Nellie after we [illegible] in Port Antonio, but we shall be anticipating you coming as early June as that.

I saw Charlie Sawyer when I met the servants but I could not get a chance to inquire particularly about his voyage home. He seemed bright and cheerful and wanted me very much to come up

5.5

Auburndale June 26th 1888

My dear Son Joseph

We are still in Auburndale and have been detained here about a week, on account of me getting over tired from going back and forth into Boston to get our work done so often, so Tuesday Mattie & I have concluded to take one trunk into Boston to the 'Brunswick' and stay three or four days and finish up and go to Hingham the following Saturday. I am feeling all right to day, and Mattie is watching me every moment that I go out, so far.

Dear Son

I am feeling quite like myself again this morning. I have been lazy Mattie has gone in town to see about the dress so it will be progressing and will only be gone a couple of hours, then she will help me get our things together and pay our board bill and we will be all ready to leave for Boston to morrow forenoon. Father told me to call on the Snell when I wished any money, so I have written him to send me [illegible]

I am sorry I could enjoy seeing my cook account as well. I have quite missed it so far, and I must have had that slip between my fingers that day. I was in a crowded store with a platform box around it, work and bid goodbye on I and I did manage the number of little things I found I had taken. Since that time I have worn a silk scarf around my neck that I [illegible] over, and left off my gloves while in the stores shopping, and bought a Wallet to keep my money in instead of [illegible] in my handbag at my side. I [illegible] pretty right and sweet.

Mattie has been in to the Brunswick and engaged the same room father engaged for us when he was here. I wish I was strong enough to do my work and come in here and stay at Indianola, but as I have to go in so often and there is so much coal dust in the cars I will have to give it up.

The best way for me to do is to stay right in the city and get my work done, and then go to my own home in Wellfleet and rest, and then I shall be in good order to make my calls and visits afterwards. I only came here because Mattie wanted to pack up her trunks &c and I liked here so well, and it was cheaper boarding here, so I

thought I would stay until we went to Wellfleet, not knowing I would get so tired with the journey. Mattie is well and bright and cheerful. We are reckoning upon going to Wellfleet and having you all come too, and it won't be long now if all is well before you will be there with us.

Be sure and take the best of care of your health. I took a walk out to day. We are having real summer weather now.

Please excuse a short letter this time as I must take my afternoon rest, or Mattie will be after me.

I must obey orders now. I assure you. With much love and many longings to see you, I am. Your loving Hattie.

Recd June 12 '98

He said father told him in Boston that Bathie would name the boat, and to write to her about it. [illegible] when he first heard of the loss of the "Belvidere" and Mr Colbrook said he was [illegible] at beside himself. He felt so bad. Mathie told [illegible] she had been so busy with her school etc that she had had no [illegible] but will do so now, and send you and the boys & father the name, and ask your approval of it. We are making plans [illegible] Hamblen is not here this summer but a person has taken his place and there is a Mr Freeman [illegible] I must [illegible] as I can see the girls are getting along pretty well. We are keeping a strict cash account of all our expenditures. With much love and [illegible] [illegible] last Saturday evening, and I was so glad to hear you were still in good health, and everything was moving along smoothly. We found the house and everything in good order. Mr Swett says the mill has not quite water enough to water so large a place as we now have, so the grass does not grow as fast as it would. We like the goat taken away Loren very much indeed. It certainly looks very pretty around there, and it is a satisfaction to Mathie and I to be mou

[illegible]

Rec'd July 26. '98

my letter back to Jamaica,

I notice what you said in one of your letters which came day before yesterday in regards to Lizzie coming out. I do not believe we will need her as I find Matilda such a good cook I do not quite want her work. [illegible] Jamaica to compare with her [illegible] roast mutton the other day we had our mint sauce like that they have in Hotels, and everything she [illegible] make her own [illegible] cakes and puddings, and it seems to me it would be a good idea to keep [illegible] come in to let the [illegible] in washing dishes &c. She [illegible] and quick and smart and can do the work

of two common people. So with Jackson's help and Ida Lizette I do not think we will need any more.

Lenore and Maria Anderson are getting along all right. Please expense this short letter, ~~and~~ I will write you again next week and father and Joshua. Josiphine is about leaving for Canton now. I am very glad.

With lots and lots of love.

From
Mother.

I hope my letter is not too late for the steamer.

Monday

My dear Son Loren

I am so
afraid if I wait until I receive
my letter from the steamer
due to day I will be too late
in sending you and father yours
~~that~~ is one writing you a short-
letter, as Mrs Newcomb was
all the forenoon planning down
windows & furniture and repair-
ing our trunks, so it took up
my time for writing my letter.

Mansfield - July 11th
1898

Answered July 26

I am very careful to take my rest-
and I am using plenty of milk
and cream. Indeed - milk is what
is strengthening me considerable.
We shall just about get all settled
before you come, and then we will
have no lessons to bring in the way
but all the rest of the time for
recreation. Maggie and the children
are well and seem right well pleased
of which I could write more but the
carpenter the stevedore took some of my
my letter writing time to day, so please
excuse this short-hurried letter. I will
not write Joshua as he will be coming
next week. With much love and many
longings to see you. I am
Your loving Mother

because he has to be looked after
else the work will need to be
done over again. Mathie has
been away now quarreling around
things. just after [illegible]
[illegible] we [illegible] be
to see Mathie and they are now
helping both to gather the pie
time Mathie has a good deal of
time to touch her beans since
arrived. I am afraid she will
not be able to write you a letter
she makes enquiries until tomorrow.
It is too bad [illegible] that we
both forgot to mention that we
received your nice box of stockings

and Nasberries and beautiful sugar
loaf Pines. They came in good condition and
have enjoyed them very much
indeed. Many many thanks.
I have caught some
"Connecticut" blackberries to
can to day.
We are looking for Reubie this
week, and you have met and
gone and [illegible] well, if it is
well. We had a nice rain
storm the other day which was
hailed with delight. I guess by
most everybody as it has been
very dry indeed. Aunt Jennie
thought she would lose all of
her garden vegetables before the
rain came.

Bowden May 17th
1899

My dear Son Loren

I was so glad to receive your good letter a few days ago and to know you were in good health, and would soon be home again. We have missed you very much but still I am glad that you are able now to leave me with Mattie and go out more. I often think what a dear good son you have always been to Mother not to be willing to leave her alone, and I shall never forget it.

I have not been very well the past week or two, have been having quite a bilious

here but am much better now.
I hope soon to hear you have
arrived safe and well in Knight
and will soon be home.
Mrs Langlois is coming in to see
us this afternoon. I think I hear
the carriage coming now.)
so I must close hastily.

With much love
and hoping soon to see
you. I am
Your Loving
Mother

P.S.
I shall be pleased
to see the company here
at any time.